

vocational rehabilitation counselor, a community organizer, two trained ex-addicts, and five other persons, such as nurses or social workers.

An evaluation and epidemiologic unit to study the extent and characteristics of that community's addiction problem might be another component.

Mr. Chairman, the proposed amendments to the Community Mental Health Centers Act are intended to strike at the roots of an intensely tragic situation. In most American communities, alcoholics and narcotic addicts—and their families who suffer with them—have few places to turn for professional help. Yet many of these people could be restored to productive living if such help were within reach.

Community mental health centers will be operating in cities with a high incidence of alcoholism and narcotic addiction. However, the Community Mental Health Centers Act now offers no special inducement to centers wishing to attack these critical and difficult problems. The proposed grant program is intended to provide the necessary stimulus and the capability to do the job.

In addition, the amendments before this committee today will serve as a model for the States in developing and modifying their own community mental health, alcoholism, and addiction legislation.

This committee, by recognizing the importance of incorporating facilities for the prevention and treatment of alcoholism and narcotic addiction into the community mental health center complex, will make a vital contribution toward achieving prevention and control of these major public health problems.

I would like to insert in the record two tables, showing participation in the regional medical program, and total obligation of funds.

(The documents referred to follow :)

TABLE I.—*Participation in regional medical programs by individuals and organizations*

Individuals -----	7, 200
Staffs of 54 programs-----	1, 800
Members of regional advisory groups-----	1, 900
Subcommittee members-----	2, 500
Local action group members-----	1, 000
Institutions -----	934
Hospitals -----	800
Medical schools-----	¹ 103
Dental schools-----	18
Schools of public health-----	13
Organizations -----	779
State medical societies-----	¹ 52
County medical societies-----	90
State health departments-----	¹ 52
State cancer societies-----	¹ 51
State heart association-----	¹ 52
State hospital association-----	40
Areawide health facility planning agencies-----	30
State dental association-----	29
Other professional societies, local voluntary agencies, etc-----	383

¹ 100 percent participation.