

or to assist any such schools to meet the costs of planning experimental teaching facilities or experimental design thereof, or which will otherwise strengthen, improve, or expand programs to train personnel in such health professions or help to increase the supply of adequately trained personnel in such health professions needed to meet the health needs of the Nation.

(b) (1) Subsection (a) of section 773 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 295f-3) is amended by striking out "basic or special grants under section 771 or 772" and inserting in lieu thereof "grants under section 771 or 772".

(2) Subsection (b) (1) of such section is amended by inserting after "or podiatry" the following: "or (in the case of section 772) pharmacy, or veterinary medicine".

(3) Subsection (c) of such section is amended by striking out "National Advisory Council on Medical; Dental, Optometric, and Podiatric Education" and inserting in lieu thereof "National Advisory Council on Health Professions Educational Assistance".

(4) Subsection (d) (2) of such section is amended by inserting "(excluding expenditures of a nonrecurring nature)" after "for such purpose".

(5) Subsection (e) of such section is amended to read as follows:

"(e) In determining priority of projects applications for which are filed under section 772, the Secretary shall give consideration to—

"(1) the extent to which the project will increase enrollment of full-time students receiving the training for which grants are authorized under this part;

"(2) the relative need of the applicant for financial assistance to maintain or provide for accreditation or to avoid curtailing enrollment or reduction in the quality of training provided; and

"(3) the extent to which the project may result in curriculum improvement or improved methods of training or will help to reduce the period of required training without adversely affecting the quality thereof."

(c) (1) Section 774 (a) of such Act is amended by striking out "or podiatric education" and inserting in lieu thereof "podiatric, pharmaceutical, or veterinary education".

(2) Such section 774 (a) is further amended by striking out "twelve" and inserting in lieu thereof "fourteen" and by striking out "National Advisory Council on Medical, Dental, Optometric, and Podiatric Education" and inserting in lieu thereof "National Advisory Council on Health Professions Educational Assistance".

(3) The heading of section 774 is amended to read:

"NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE"

(d) The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to appropriations for fiscal years ending after June 30, 1969.

(e) Effective only with respect to appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, section 772 (b) of such Act is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof ", or (3) to plan for special projects for which grants are authorized under this section as amended by the Health Manpower Act of 1968".

(f) Effective with respect to appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, and the next fiscal year, the third sentence of section 771 (b) of such Act is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof ", or if he determines, after such consultation, that to do so would otherwise be in the public interest and consistent with the purposes of this part".

PART C—STUDENT AID

STUDENT LOANS

SEC. 121. (a) (1) Clauses (2) and (3) of section 740 (b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 294) are each amended by inserting " , except as provided in section 746," after "fund" the first time it appears therein.

(2) Section 740 (b) (4) of such Act is amended by striking out "1969" and inserting in lieu thereof "1973".

(3) Section 741 (c) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 294a) is amended by adding before the period at the end thereof " , or (3) service as a full-time volunteer in the Volunteers in Service to America program under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964; and periods (up to five years) of advanced professional training (including residencies)".