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# 42 U.S. Code § 300d-6

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## Competitive grants for trauma centers

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### **(a) In general**

The Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, shall award not fewer than 4 multiyear contracts or competitive grants to eligible entities to support pilot projects to design, implement, and evaluate new or existing innovative models of regionalized, comprehensive, and accountable emergency medical and trauma systems, and improve access to trauma care within such systems.

### **(b) Eligible entity; region**

In this section:

#### **(1) Eligible entity**

The term “eligible entity” means—

- (A) a State or consortia of States;
- (B) an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization (as defined in section 5304 of title 25);
- (C) a consortium of level I, II, or III trauma centers designated by applicable State or local agencies within an applicable State or region, and, as applicable, other emergency services providers; or
- (D) a consortium or partnership of nonprofit Indian Health Service, Indian Tribal, and urban Indian trauma centers.

#### **(2) Region**

The term “region” means an area within a State, an area that lies within multiple States, or a similar area (such as a multicounty area), as determined by the Secretary.

#### **(3) Emergency services**

The term “emergency services” includes acute, prehospital, and trauma care.

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