
42 U.S. Code § 285b-9

HHS valvular heart disease activities

(a) In general

The Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall, as appropriate, continue activities related to research, education, and awareness of valvular heart diseases.

(b) NIH research related to valvular heart diseases

(1) In general

The Director of the National Institutes of Health, in consultation with the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, may support or conduct research regarding valvular heart diseases.

(2) Support further research

In order to improve information on, and understanding of, causation and risk factors for valvular heart diseases, research conducted or supported under this subsection for such diseases may include the following:

- (A) Use of advanced technological imaging and other relevant methods to generate data related to valvular heart diseases.
- (B) Assessing potential risk factors for sudden cardiac arrest or sudden cardiac death from valvular heart diseases.
- (C) Other activities, as appropriate, in order to improve the availability of information on, and advance research related to, valvular heart diseases.

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