- ``(a) Applicant and Recipient Responsibilities.--
 - (1) Development and assessment of projects.--The Secretary shall require that an applicant for, and a recipient of, a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement for a project under subpart 2 or 3--
 - (A) involve individuals with disabilities or parents of individuals with disabilities ages birth through 26 in planning, implementing, and evaluating the project; and
 - `(B) where appropriate, determine whether the project has any potential for replication and adoption by other entities.
 - ``(2) Additional responsibilities.--The Secretary may require a recipient of a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under subpart 2 or 3 to--

 - ``(A) share in the cost of the project;
 ``(B) prepare any findings and products from the project in formats that are useful for specific audiences, including parents, administrators, teachers, early intervention personnel, related services personnel, and individuals with disabilities;
 - ``(C) disseminate such findings and products; and
 ``(D) collaborate with other such recipients in carrying out subparagraphs (B) and (C).
- ``(b) Application Management.--
 - (1) Standing panel.--
 - (A) In general. -- The Secretary shall establish and use a standing panel of experts who are qualified, by virtue of their training, expertise, or experience, to evaluate each application under subpart 2 or 3 that requests more than \$75,000 per year in Federal financial assistance.
 - (B) Membership. -- The standing panel shall include, at a minimum--
 - `(i) individuals who are representatives of institutions of higher education that plan, develop, and carry out high quality programs of personnel preparation;
 - `(ii) individuals who design and carry out scientifically based research targeted to the improvement of special education programs and services;

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- ``(iii) individuals who have recognized experience and knowledge necessary to integrate and apply scientifically based research findings to improve educational and transitional results for children with disabilities;
- (iv) individuals who administer programs at the State or local level in which children with disabilities participate;
 - `(v) individuals who prepare parents of

children with disabilities to participate in making decisions about the education of their children;

- ``(vi) individuals who establish policies that affect the delivery of services to children with disabilities;
- ``(vii) individuals who are parents of children with disabilities ages birth through 26 who are benefiting, or have benefited, from coordinated research, personnel preparation, and technical assistance; and
 - ``(viii) individuals with disabilities.
- ``(C) Term.--No individual shall serve on the standing panel for more than 3 consecutive years. ``(2) Peer-review panels for particular competitions.--
 - `(A) Composition.--The Secretary shall ensure that each subpanel selected from the standing panel that reviews an application under subpart 2 or 3 includes--
 - ``(i) individuals with knowledge and expertise on the issues addressed by the activities described in the application; and
 - ``(ii) to the extent practicable, parents of children with disabilities ages birth through 26, individuals with disabilities, and persons from diverse backgrounds.
 - ``(B) Federal employment limitation.--A majority of the individuals on each subpanel that reviews an application under subpart 2 or 3 shall be individuals who are not employees of the Federal Government.
- ``(3) Use of discretionary funds for administrative purposes.--
 - ``(A) Expenses and fees of non-federal panel members.--The Secretary may use funds available under subpart 2 or 3 to pay the expenses and fees of the panel members who are not officers or employees of the Federal Government.
 - ``(B) Administrative support.--The Secretary may use not more than 1 percent of the funds appropriated to carry out subpart 2 or 3 to pay non-Federal entities for administrative support related to management of applications submitted under subpart 2 or 3, respectively.