§ 238-a. Statewide resource centers for geriatric education. 1. There is hereby established in the state university of New York, under the jurisdiction of its board of trustees, a statewide resource center for geriatric education as established by chapter seven hundred seventy-seven of the laws of nineteen hundred eighty-one, and the acts supplemental thereto.

2. The state university board of trustees is hereby authorized within annual appropriations made for this purpose to designate the SUNY Health Science Center at Syracuse and Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York city to implement the provisions of this section.

3. The statewide resource centers for geriatric education shall be charged with developing a clearinghouse based on information gathered on educational programs in existence throughout the state and nation. The centers shall make available information on model curricula, textbooks, resource materials, medical residencies, internships, clinical rotations, conferences, continuing education programs, funding for research and training and other information that may be useful in improving geriatric training in medical schools within the state. They may also provide such services to allied professions.

4. The centers shall periodically disseminate information of interest to each of the medical schools and allied professions within the state. The centers shall also be available to assist the medical schools and allied professions within the state with individual requests for improving their programs in geriatric education. Efforts should be made to utilize an interdisciplinary approach in disseminating the centers' information.

5. The board of trustees shall submit a report annually to the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the director of the state office for the aging and the commissioner of health.