



## **THE AD HOC GROUP FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH**

### *The Ad Hoc Group Fiscal Year 2020 Recommendation*

The 315 undersigned members of the Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research, which represents patient groups, scientific societies, research institutions, health professionals, educators, and industry, are extremely grateful to Congress for making meaningful, reliable funding support for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) a key national priority. These investments in the NIH yield compound dividends in the form of improved health and quality of life for Americans, young and old.

For FY 2020, the Ad Hoc Group recommends an appropriation of at least \$41.6 billion for the NIH, a \$2.5 billion increase over the NIH's program level funding in FY 2019. This funding level would allow for meaningful growth above inflation in the base budget that would expand NIH's capacity to support promising science in all disciplines. It also would ensure that funding from the Innovation Account established in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cures Act would supplement the agency's base budget, as intended, through dedicated funding for specific programs.

As a result of the strong, bipartisan vision of Senate and House Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee leaders Roy Blunt, Patty Murray, Rosa DeLauro, and Tom Cole, over the last four years, Congress has helped the agency regain some of the ground lost after years of effectively flat budgets. This most welcome renewed investment in NIH has advanced discovery toward promising therapies and diagnostics, reenergized existing and aspiring scientists nationwide, and restored hope for patients and their families. To further realize the potential of medical research, we must continue this forward momentum.

We recognize that the impractical budget caps imposed by the Budget Control Act of 2011 restrict the ability of appropriators to invest adequately in critical federal priorities. To enable the FY 2020 appropriations process to advance in a timely manner, we urge Congress to swiftly reach a bipartisan budget agreement that sufficiently raises the nondefense discretionary spending caps to ensure continued scientific innovation and progress in medical research. We believe that any discretionary caps deal must treat nondefense increases similar to defense increases. We further urge a funding allocation for the Labor-HHS Subcommittee that allows for the necessary investment in NIH and other agencies that promote the health of our nation.

### **315 Signatories as of 03.21.19**

Academic Consortium for Integrative Medicine and Health  
Academic Pediatric Association  
Academy for Radiology and Biomedical Imaging Research  
AcademyHealth  
ACT for NIH Foundation  
Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine  
Alliance for Aging Research  
ALS Association

Alzheimer's Association  
Alzheimer's Impact Movement  
American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine  
American Academy of Neurology  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
American Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation  
American Academy of Sleep Medicine  
American Academy of Sleep Medicine Foundation  
American Anthropological Association  
American Association for Anatomy  
American Association for Cancer Research  
American Association for Dental Research  
American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases  
American Association for Women Radiologists  
American Association of Chairs of Departments of Psychiatry  
American Association of Colleges of Nursing  
American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine  
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy  
American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training  
American Association of Immunologists  
American Association of Neurological Surgeons  
American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine  
American Association of Physicists in Medicine  
American Brain Coalition  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
American College of Academic Addiction Medicine  
American College of Cardiology  
American College of Clinical Pharmacology ®  
American College of Nuclear Medicine  
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
American College of Physicians  
American College of Radiology  
American College of Rheumatology  
American Council on Education  
American Diabetes Association  
American Geriatrics Society  
American Heart Association  
American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering  
American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine  
American Liver Foundation  
American Lung Association  
American Neurological Association  
American Pediatric Society  
American Physiological Society  
American Psychological Association  
American Roentgen Ray Society  
American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
American Society for Cell Biology  
American Society for Investigative Pathology  
American Society for Microbiology  
American Society for Nutrition  
American Society for Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics

American Society for Radiation Oncology  
American Society for Reproductive Medicine  
American Society of Anesthesiologists  
American Society of Clinical Oncology  
American Society of Hematology  
American Society of Human Genetics  
American Society of Nephrology  
American Society of Neuroradiology  
American Surgical Association  
American Thoracic Society  
American Tinnitus Association  
American Urogynecologic Society  
American Urological Association  
American Veterinary Medical Association  
Associated Medical Schools of New York  
Association for Clinical and Translational Science  
Association for Prevention Teaching and Research  
Association for Psychological Science  
Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology  
Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries  
Association of Academic Physiatrists  
Association of American Cancer Institutes  
Association of American Medical Colleges  
Association of American Universities  
Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges  
Association of Anatomy Cell Biology and Neurobiology Chairs  
Association of Bioethics Program Directors  
Association of Chairs of Departments of Physiology  
Association of Departments of Family Medicine  
Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors  
Association of Independent Research Institutes  
Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs  
Association of Minority Health Professions Schools  
Association of Pathology Chairs  
Association of Population Centers  
Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers  
Association of Public and Land-grant Universities  
Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health  
Association of University Anesthesiologists  
Association of University Center on Disabilities  
Association of University Professors of Neurology  
Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology  
Association of University Radiologists  
Autism Speaks  
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center  
Biomedical Engineering Society  
Biophysical Society  
BJC HealthCare  
Boston University  
Cedars-Sinai Health System  
Children's Hospital Association  
Children's Hospital Los Angeles

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta  
Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation  
Clinical Research Forum  
Coalition for Clinical and Translational Science  
Coalition for Health Funding  
Coalition for the Life Sciences  
Columbia University  
Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals  
Congress of Neurological Surgeons  
Consortium of Social Science Associations  
Cooley's Anemia Foundation  
Coriell Institute for Medical Research  
Cornell University  
Council on Governmental Relations  
Council on Social Work Education  
Creighton University School of Medicine  
Cribs for Kids, Inc.  
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation  
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation  
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute  
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health  
Deadliest Cancers Coalition  
Dermatology Nurses' Association  
Digestive Disease National Coalition  
Duke University  
Duke University School of Medicine  
Dysautonomia International  
Dystonia Advocacy Network  
Dystonia Medical Research Foundation  
East Carolina University, the Brody School of Medicine  
Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation  
Emory University  
Endocrine Society  
Entomological Society of America  
Fairview Health Services  
Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology  
Federation of Associations in Behavioral & Brain Sciences  
Florida State University  
Focused Ultrasound Foundation  
FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered  
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center  
Friends of NIA  
Friends of NICHD  
Friends of the National Institute on Aging  
GBS|CIDP Foundation International  
Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine  
Global Liver Institute  
Global Health Technologies Coalition  
Harvard University  
Heart Failure Society of America  
Henry Ford Health System  
Hepatitis B Foundation  
HIV Medicine Association  
Indiana University

Infectious Diseases Society of America  
International Association of Medical Science Educators  
International Foundation for Gastrointestinal Disorders  
International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine  
International Society for Stem Cell Research  
Interstitial Cystitis Association  
JDRF  
Jeffrey Modell Foundation  
John & Amy Mewhiney Cancer Foundation  
John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa  
Johns Hopkins University  
Konica Minolta Healthcare  
Lifespan  
Lung Cancer Alliance  
Lupus Foundation of America  
Lupus Research Alliance  
Lymphatic Education & Research Network  
Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology  
March of Dimes  
Mayo Clinic  
Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University  
Medical College of Wisconsin  
Medical Image Perception Society  
Medical Library Association  
Melanoma Research Foundation  
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center  
Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation  
METAvivor Research & Support  
Michigan State University, College of Human Medicine  
Moffitt Cancer Center  
Montefiore Medicine  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
National Alliance for Eye and Vision Research  
National Alliance on Mental Illness  
National Alopecia Areata Foundation  
National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors  
National Fragile X Foundation  
National Kidney Foundation  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
National Pancreas Foundation  
NephCure Kidney International  
New York Medical College  
North American Primary Care Research Group  
North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition  
Northern Illinois University  
NYU Langone Health  
Oregon Health & Science University  
Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy  
Partners HealthCare  
Pediatric Policy Council  
Penn State University  
Personalized Medicine Coalition  
PKD Foundation  
Population Association of America  
Prostate Cancer Foundation

Pulmonary Hypertension Association  
Radiological Society of North America  
Research!America  
Restless Legs Syndrome Foundation  
Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center  
RWJBarnabas Health  
Say YES to Hope  
Scleroderma Foundation  
Sjogren's Syndrome Foundation  
Sleep Research Society  
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine  
Society for Imaging Informatics in Medicine  
Society for Neuroscience  
Society for Pediatric Radiology  
Society for Pediatric Research  
Society for Social Work and Research  
Society of Abdominal Radiology  
Society of Academic Associations of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine  
Society of Breast Imaging  
Society of Chairs of Academic Radiology Departments  
Society of Computed Body Tomography & Magnetic Resonance  
Society of General Internal Medicine  
Society of Gynecologic Oncology  
Society of Interventional Radiology  
Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging  
Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound  
Society of Skeletal Radiology  
Society of Teachers of Family Medicine  
Society of Thoracic Radiology  
Southern Illinois University School of Medicine  
Stanford University  
Stanford University School of Medicine  
Temple University  
Teratology Society  
The Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences  
The Marfan Foundation  
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research  
The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center  
The Robert Larner, MD College of Medicine at the University of Vermont  
The State University of New York System  
The University of Arizona, College of Medicine-Phoenix  
Treatment Communities of America  
Tufts Medical Center  
Tufts University School of Medicine  
Tulane University School of Medicine  
U.S. Hereditary Angioedema Association  
UC San Diego Health  
UNC System  
United for Medical Research  
University of California San Diego  
University of California System  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of California, Riverside – School of Medicine  
University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)

University of Central Florida  
University of Chicago Medical Center  
University of Cincinnati  
University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus  
University of Colorado Boulder  
University of Delaware  
University of Florida  
University of Hawai'i System  
University of Illinois College of Medicine  
University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System  
University of Iowa Health Care  
University of Massachusetts Medical School  
University of Miami Miller School of Medicine  
University of Michigan  
University of Nebraska Medical Center  
University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
University of Oregon  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine  
University of Rochester  
University of South Florida, Morsani College of Medicine  
University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine  
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center  
University of Utah Health  
University of Virginia  
University of Washington  
UTHealth | The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston  
Vanderbilt University  
Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center  
Washington State University  
Washington State University, Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine  
Washington University in St. Louis  
West Virginia University Health Sciences Center  
Western Michigan University Homer Stryker, M.D. School of Medicine  
World Molecular Imaging Society  
Yale University