

September 3, 2024

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The Hon. Shelley Moore Capito
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Dear Chair Murray, Vice-Chair Collins, Chair Baldwin, and Ranking Member Capito,

The undersigned organizations and individuals write to thank you for providing a nearly \$2 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in the Senate Appropriations Committee's Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies (LHHS) Appropriations bill. We are appreciative for your extraordinary individual and joint commitment to preventing, treating, and curing diseases and conditions that rob the American people, and populations across the globe, of health, independence, time, and loved ones.

Your efforts prior to this legislation -- and the additional research progress made possible if this funding increase is signed into law -- will be felt across time and generations. Not only does U.S. research investment seed enduringly beneficial medical advances, but it also enables scientists across the country to gain the foundational knowledge needed to empower unimagined breakthroughs going forward.

The burden of disease is shared, but also deeply personal. We all have experience with the vicious toll it takes. Please know that we recognize and value the hard work you and your respective staff members have devoted to the Senate FY25 LHHS legislation, and we would welcome the opportunity to assist your efforts as the appropriations process continues.

Sincerely,



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American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

American Academy of Nursing

American Association for Cancer Research

American Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research

American Association for the Advancement of Science

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American College of Radiology

American Federation for Aging Research

American Institute of Biological Sciences

American Physiological Society

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American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

American Society for Investigative Pathology

American Society for Nutrition

American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics (ASPET)

American Society for Virology

American Society of Human Genetics

American Society of Nephrology

American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Association for Clinical Oncology

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Association for Women in Science

Association of American Medical Colleges

Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry

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Breakthrough T1D (formerly JDRF)

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Fight Colorectal Cancer
Foundation Fighting Blindness
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Jeeva Clinical Trials Inc.
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Lasker Foundation
LEAD Coalition (Leaders Engaged on Alzheimer's Disease)
LUNgevity Foundation
Lupus and Allied Diseases Association, Inc.
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Nevada Public Health Association
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Society for Women's Health Research
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The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology
The Brain Donor Project
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