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AIDS APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 1992

National Institutes of Health

The Administration has requested \$851 million for AIDS-related research activities at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), an increase of \$47 million from the FY 1991 spending level of \$804 million.

basic inflation increase

Again this year, Congress has not earmarked a specific spending level for AIDS research at NIH. However, both the House and the Senate reports reflect a continued commitment to AIDS research which should increase by approximately the \$47 million recommended by the Administration. The Senate report directs NIH to reassess priorities within the context of the recent Institute of Medicine report and to report back to Congress on progress in implementing these recommendations within one year.

Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration

The Administration has requested \$245 million for AIDS-related activities at ADAMHA, an increase of \$8 million over 1991 *COLA* funding. As in the past, neither the House nor the Senate provided a specific earmark for AIDS-related activities at ADAMHA. However, sufficient funds are provided to allow the increase recommended by the Administration. Within this funding, Congress has earmarked \$71.5 million for continuation of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) outreach demonstration programs for injection drug users.

Health Resources and Services Administration

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is the lead agency for implementation of the Ryan White CARE Act. Congress has provided \$122 million for emergency assistance grants under Title I of the CARE bill, an increase of \$34 million over the Administration's request and funding in fiscal year 1991. San Francisco should receive approximately \$17 million, an increase of \$4.4 million over 1991 funding.

32% increase
- veto our gay rule
- signed before Thanksgiving

Congress has also provided \$108 million for grants to states for HIV-related care under Title II of the CARE bill, an increase of \$20 million over the Administration's request and funding in fiscal year 1991. Up to 10% of the total formula grants under Title II may be used for special projects of national significance (SPNS). Of this amount, \$5 million is provided to continue and expand the HIV/AIDS dental reimbursement program through dental schools and \$5.8 million other HRSA priority programs including AIDS-related mental health services.

UdP
UCSF

Congress has also provided \$50 million for early intervention grants through HRSA, an increase of \$5 million over the Administration's request and the funding for fiscal year 1991. The San Francisco Clinic Consortium is currently receiving a grant under this program for counseling, testing and early intervention services at member community clinics.

Centers for Disease Control

reduction in counseling & testing \$

Congress has provided \$480 million for AIDS-related activities at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), a decrease of \$14.6 million from the Administration's request and the funding available in fiscal year 1991. Because the funding level has been reduced, Congress has not directed new CDC AIDS initiatives.

The House report again protected the cooperative agreement between CDC and San Francisco as well as the five other cities with an earmark for \$37.5 million. This is the same level of funding as in fiscal year 1991; the City should receive \$5.6 million for surveillance and prevention programs again in 1992.

no funding - out of school youth
CD4 testing eval.
ethnic minorities
women

Housing and Urban Development

cuts in direct grants to CBOs
NTFAP

Last year Congress passed the AIDS Housing Opportunities Act (McDermott-Pelosi-Schumer), which authorized the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to make formula grants to metropolitan areas for AIDS housing programs. Congress has provided \$50 million for this program in fiscal year 1992 through the HUD-VA appropriations bill. Under the formula in the legislation, San Francisco should receive \$4.1 million. Housing funds for people with AIDS may also be available under current Section 202 and the new Shelter Plus Care programs.

\$2 billion
direct AIDS funding
(\$3 bil. total incl. indirect)

and apply for
other funds competitively

SUBTITLE D—HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

The House amendment contained a provision not included in the Senate bill which created the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act. The conference report contains the House provision with the following amendment: (1) the conference report consolidates the programs into one formula grant program to provide States and localities with the resources and incentives to devise long-term comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing needs of persons with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS); (2) the conference report retains each program as an eligible activity under the formula grant program; (3) the conference report does not contain the reservation of assistance for individuals with AIDS as provided in the House bill, however, the conferees believe that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) should permit public housing authorities to reserve Section 8 and public housing assistance for persons with AIDS and this deletion is not intended to preclude persons with AIDS from receiving such vitally-needed housing assistance; (4) the conference report distributes program assistance in the following manner: 90% of the funds will be distributed to entities meeting the following (a) 75% of formula to localities that are within a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) greater than 500,000 and have greater than 1500 cumulative AIDS cases (not including those in eligible localities), (b) 25% of formula to localities that exceed the annual per capita rate of AIDS incidence for metropolitan areas. [Each such entity shall receive funding according to their proportionate share of the total except that each entity shall receive a minimum allocation of \$200,000 (from (a) and (b) combined) and any increase this entails from the formula amount will be deducted from all other allocations exceeding \$200,000 on a pro rata basis]; (5) the conference report distributes 10% of the amounts authorized for the program through HUD discretion to meet housing needs in non-eligible states and localities and to fund special projects of national significance; (6) the conference report requires HUD in selecting nonparticipation jurisdictions projects to consider—(a) relative numbers of AIDS cases and per capita AIDS incidence; (b) housing needs of persons with AIDS in the community; (c) extent of local planning and coordination of housing programs for persons with AIDS; and (d) the likelihood of the continuation of state and local efforts; (7) the conference report requires HUD in selecting projects of national significance to consider—(a) the need to assess the effectiveness of a particular model for providing supportive housing for persons with AIDS, (b) the innovative nature of the proposed activity, and (c) the proposed activity in other similar localities or nationally; and (8) the conference report authorizes \$75 million in Fiscal Year 1991 and \$156.5 million in Fiscal Year 1992 for the AIDS Housing Opportunity program.

The conferees wish to clarify that the size of a grant under each formula shall be based on the ratio of the cumulative number of AIDS cases in a jurisdiction to the total cumulative cases of all participating jurisdictions. The conferees also intend that rental assistance under Section 859 shall also be considered permanent housing.