



## THE AD HOC GROUP FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH

### *The Ad Hoc Group Fiscal Year 2026 Recommendation*

The 532 undersigned members of the Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research, which includes organizations representing patients, scientists, health professionals, research and academic institutions, educators, and industry, recommends at least **\$51.303 billion for the National Institutes of Health (NIH)** for fiscal year (FY) 2026, in addition to support for the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health, which would represent a \$4.222 billion or 9.0% increase over the final FY 2025 funding level.

Robust support for medical research makes Americans healthier. Patients across the country -- from urban centers to rural communities -- benefit from medical research supported by the NIH, which serves as the **foundation for nearly every preventive intervention, diagnostic, treatment, and cure in practice today**. Each year, more than 300,000 researchers across labs and other settings in **nearly every congressional district nationwide<sup>i,ii</sup>** conduct research on the most promising strategies to promote patient well-being and overcome existing and emerging health threats, including cancer, Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, diabetes, Parkinson's, chronic health conditions, and the full range of other diagnoses that patients, families, and communities face every day. Underfunding NIH will slow the pace of scientific discovery as does imposing other problematic disruptions on the agency, placing the health of patients and communities at increased risk.

In addition to the health benefits to patients that medical research promotes, the federal investment in this lifesaving work also has a **multiplier effect in local and regional economies**, spurs new industries, enhances the **U.S.'s global competitiveness**, promotes our **national security**, establishes viable career paths for the **next generation of scientists**, and generates additional **high-quality jobs in communities nationwide**.

As Congress considers funding for the upcoming fiscal year, we note that meaningful annual funding growth for **NIH has been a steadfast bipartisan national priority over the last decade and beyond**. In a time where China and our other global competitors continue to increase investments in medical research and scientific talent, it is crucial that the United States maintains its leadership on the global stage to deliver breakthrough advances for patients and economic growth for communities across the country.

We urge lawmakers to continue to support patients, discovery, and economic growth, to ensure a funding allocation for the Labor-HHS Subcommittee that allows for the necessary investment in NIH and other agencies that promotes the health and well-being of all Americans, and to work expeditiously to complete FY 2026 appropriations in a timely manner. The health of our nation and millions of patients depends on it.

### **532 Signatories as of April 24, 2025**

Academic Consortium for Integrative Medicine and Health  
Academic Pediatric Association

Academy for Radiology and Biomedical Imaging Research  
AcademyHealth  
Accessia Health  
ACMCRN Arachnoiditis & Chronic Meningitis Collaborative Research Network  
ACT for NIH  
Akari Foundation  
Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine (AAIM)  
Alliance for Aging Research  
Alliance to Cure Cavernous Malformation  
Alpha-1 Foundation  
Alstrom Syndrome International  
Alzheimer's Association  
Alzheimer's Impact Movement  
American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology  
American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine  
American Academy of Neurology  
American Academy of Nursing  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
American Academy of Sleep Medicine  
American Association for Cancer Research  
American Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research  
American Association for Respiratory Care  
American Association for the Advancement of Science  
American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases  
American Association for Women in Radiology.  
American Association of Chairs of Departments of Psychiatry  
American Association of Colleges of Nursing  
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AAPC)  
American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training  
American Association of Immunologists  
American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine  
American Association of Physicists in Medicine  
American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges  
American Board of Radiology  
American Brain Coalition  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN)  
American College of Academic Addiction Medicine  
American College of Cardiology  
American College of Clinical Pharmacology  
American College of Clinical Pharmacy  
American College of Neuropsychopharmacology  
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
American College of Physicians  
American College of Radiology  
American College of Rheumatology  
American College of Surgeons  
American Council on Education  
American Epilepsy Society  
American Federation for Aging Research

American Federation of Medical Research  
American Gastroenterological Association  
American Geriatrics Society  
American Heart Association  
American Industrial Hygiene Association  
American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering (AIMBE)  
American Lung Association  
American Massage Therapy Association  
American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA)  
American Medical Women's Association  
American Neurological Association  
American Pancreatic Association  
American Pediatric Society  
American Physiological Society  
American Psychological Association Services  
American Roentgen Ray Society  
American Sexual Health Association  
American Sexually Transmitted Diseases Association (ASTDA)  
American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy  
American Society for Investigative Pathology  
American Society for Microbiology  
American Society for Nutrition  
American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics (ASPET)  
American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO)  
American Society for Reproductive Medicine  
American Society of Anesthesiologists  
American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology  
American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy  
American Society of Hematology  
American Society of Human Genetics  
American Society of Nephrology  
American Society of Pediatric Nephrology  
American Society of Transplantation (AST)  
American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene  
American Society on Aging  
American Statistical Association  
American Surgical Association  
American Thoracic Society  
American Urogynecologic Society  
Americans for Medical Progress  
Angelman Syndrome Foundation  
Angels of Epilepsy, Inc.  
Aplastic Anemia and MDS International Foundation  
Arthritis Foundation  
Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAO)  
Associated Medical Schools of New York  
Association for Academic Pathology (AAPath)  
Association for Clinical and Translational Science  
Association for Clinical Oncology (ASCO)  
Association for the Advancement of Blood and Biotherapies (AABB)

Association of Academic Chairs of Emergency Medicine  
Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries  
Association of Academic Physiatrists  
Association of Academic Radiology  
Association of American Cancer Institutes  
Association of American Medical Colleges  
Association of American Universities  
Association of Bioethics Program Directors  
Association of Departments of Family Medicine  
Association of Independent Research Institutes  
Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs  
Association of Minority Health Professions Schools  
Association of Population Centers  
Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics  
Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics  
Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers  
Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities  
Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry  
Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health  
Association of University Anesthesiologists  
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America  
Autism Speaks  
AVAC  
Barth Syndrome Foundation  
BDSRA Foundation  
Benaroya Research Institute  
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center  
Biomedical Engineering Society  
Biophysical Society  
Boston Medical Center Health System  
Boston University  
Breakthrough T1D (formerly JDRF)  
Broad Institute  
Cancer and Careers  
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine  
Cedars-Sinai  
Celiac Disease Foundation  
Center for Endometriosis Care  
Child Neurology Foundation  
Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance  
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta  
Children's Hospital Association  
Children's Hospital Colorado  
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
Children's Mercy Kansas City  
Choose Healthy Life  
Chris "CJ" Johnson Foundation Inc  
ChristianaCare  
Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation  
Cleveland Clinic

Clinical Immunology Society (CIS)  
Clinical Research Forum  
Coalition for Clinical and Translational Science  
Coalition for Pediatric Medical Research  
Coalition of Skin Diseases  
Coalition to Cure CHD2  
Collaborative Alliance for Pancreatic Education and Research  
College on Problems of Drug Dependence  
Colorado State University  
Colorectal Cancer Alliance  
Columbia University  
Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals  
Congenital Adrenal hyperplasia Research, Education & Support Foundation ( DBA: CARES Foundation)  
Congenital Hyperinsulinism International  
Consortium of Social Science Associations  
Cooley's Anemia Foundation  
Corewell Health  
Cornell University  
Council of Graduate Schools  
Council on Social Work Education  
COVID-19 Longhailer Advocacy Project  
CTX Alliance (Cerebrotendinous Xanthomatosis)  
CURE Epilepsy  
Cure GM1 Foundation  
Cure HHT  
Cure SMA  
cureCADASIL  
Cutaneous Lymphoma Foundation  
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation  
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute  
Danny Did Foundation  
Dartmouth Health  
Deadliest Cancers Coalition  
Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer  
Defend Public Health  
Dermatology Nurses' Association  
DHR Health  
Doheny Eye Institute  
Dravet Syndrome Foundation  
Drexel University  
Duke Health  
Duke University  
Dup15q Alliance  
Dysautonomia International  
ECAN Esophageal Cancer Action Network  
ECU Health  
Endocrine Society  
Endometriosis Association  
EndPreeclampsia Inc.

Entomological Society of America  
Epilepsies Action Network (EAN)  
Epilepsy Alliance America  
Epilepsy Foundation of America  
Epitome of Epilepsy nonprofit organization  
EveryLife Foundation for Rare Diseases  
Fabry Support & Information Group  
Familial Dysautonomia Foundation  
Family Voices of California  
Fanconi Cancer Foundation  
Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB)  
Federation of Associations in Behavioral and Brain Sciences  
Fight Colorectal Cancer  
Flux: The Society for Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience  
FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered  
Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics  
Foundation for Prader-Willi Research  
Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research  
Fox Chase Cancer Center  
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center  
Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance (FARA)  
Friends of NIAAA  
Friends of NICHD  
Friends of NIDA  
Friends of NIMH  
Friends of the National Institute on Aging  
Future Leaders in Sight (FLIS)  
Gaucher Community Alliance  
GBS CIDP Foundation International  
Genetic Alliance  
GenVams Trust, India  
Gerontological Society of America  
Global Liver Institute  
GO2 for Lung Cancer  
Good Days  
GRIN2B Foundation  
HardyHandz Foundation  
Harvard University  
Head for the Cure  
HealthyWomen  
Heart Failure Society of America  
Hereditary Angioedema Association  
HERHealthEQ  
Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome Network  
HIV Medicine Association  
Hope Charities  
Hope for HIE  
Hope for Stomach Cancer  
Huntington Breast Cancer ACTION Coalition, Inc  
Hydrocephalus Association

Hypersomnia Foundation  
Indiana University  
Infectious Diseases Society of America  
International Bipolar Foundation  
International Myeloma Foundation  
Interstitial Cystitis Association  
Joey's Wings Foundation  
John & Amy Mewhiney Cancer Foundation  
John A Burns School Of Medicine The University of Hawai'i at Manoa  
Johns Hopkins University & Medicine  
Joslin Diabetes Center  
Kaiser Permanente  
KCNQ2 Cure Alliance  
Kidney Cancer Association  
KidneyCAN  
Kids for Saving Earth  
KPTN Alliance  
La Jolla Institute for Immunology  
Lasker Foundation  
Le Bonheur Children's Hospital  
LEAD Coalition (Leaders Engaged on Alzheimer's Disease)  
Lehigh University  
Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome (LGS) Foundation  
Let's Talk UTI  
LGMD Awareness Foundation, Inc  
Life Raft Group  
Loma Linda University Health  
LUNgevity Foundation  
Lupus and Allied Diseases Association, Inc.  
Lupus Foundation of America  
Lymphatic Education & Research Network  
M-CM Network  
March of Dimes  
Marymount University, Arlington  
Mass General Brigham  
Massachusetts Society for Medical Research  
Maternal Mental Health Leadership Alliance  
MdDS Balance Disorder Foundation  
Medical College of Wisconsin  
Medical Image Perception Society  
Medical Library Association  
Memorial Sloan Kettering  
MemorialCare Health System  
Men's Health Network  
Michigan Medicine  
Michigan State University  
Mission MSA  
Mississippi Metabolics Foundation  
MitoAction  
MLD Foundation

Monell Chemical Senses Center  
Monica Weldon Consulting LLC  
Morehouse School of Medicine  
Mount Sinai Health System  
MSUD Family Support Group  
Mucopolidosis Type IV Foundation  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
Myotonic Dystrophy Foundation  
National Alliance for Eye and Vision Research  
National Alliance on Mental Illness  
National Alopecia Areata Foundation  
National Association for Biomedical Research  
National Association For Continence  
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health  
National Association of Veterans Research and Education Foundations (NAVREF)  
National Ataxia Foundation  
National Bleeding Disorders Foundation  
National Eczema Association  
National Fragile X Foundation  
National Headache Foundation  
National Health Council  
National Kidney Foundation  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
National Organization for Rare Disorders  
National Postdoctoral Association  
National Scleroderma Foundation  
National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC)  
NBIA Disorders Association  
NCATS Alliance  
NDRI  
Necrotizing Enterocolitis (NEC) Society  
Neuroimmune Foundation  
New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research  
New York Genome Center  
New York Medical College  
New York State Academic Dental Centers  
NIAMS Coalition  
NORSE Institute  
North American Neuroendocrine Tumor Society (NANETS)  
North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition  
North American Vascular Biology Organization  
North Carolina Association for Biomedical Research  
Northern California Institute for Research and Education, Inc., NCIRE  
Northwest Association for Biomedical Research  
Nutrition and Medical Foods Coalition  
NYU Langone Health  
Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine  
Oncology Nursing Society  
Oregon Health & Science University  
Organic Acidemia Association



Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation  
Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance  
Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN)  
Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy  
Patient-Led Research Collaborative  
Pediatric Epilepsy Research Consortium  
Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS)  
Pediatric Policy Council  
Penn State Health  
Penn State University  
Pennsylvania Society for Biomedical Research  
Periodic Paralysis Association  
Personalized Medicine Coalition  
Phelan-McDermid Syndrome Foundation  
PINK Concussions  
PKD Foundation  
Platelet Disorder Support Association  
Population Association of America  
PREEMIEWORLD FOUNDATION  
Prevent Blindness  
Prevent Cancer Foundation  
Project Sleep  
Prostate Cancer Foundation  
Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation  
Pulmonary Hypertension Association  
PURA Syndrome Foundation  
PUSH for Empowered Pregnancy  
PXE International  
Radiological Society of North America  
Rare Epilepsy Network (REN) Coordinating Committee  
Recurrent Pregnancy Loss Association  
Renal Pathology Society  
Research!America  
RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association  
Restless Legs Syndrome Foundation  
Rural Minds  
Rush University  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
Safe Kids Worldwide  
Sanford Burnham Prebys  
SATB2 Gene Foundation  
Sjögren's Foundation, Inc.  
Sleep Research Society  
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine  
Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine  
Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology  
Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention  
Society for Imaging Informatics in Medicine  
Society for Investigative Dermatology  
Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine

Society for Neuroscience  
Society for Pediatric Radiology  
Society for Pediatric Research  
Society for Public Health Education  
Society for Reproductive Investigation  
Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)  
Society for Vascular Surgery  
Society for Women's Health Research  
Society of Academic Associations of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine  
Society of Behavioral Medicine  
Society of Breast Imaging  
Society of Clinical Psychology, Division 12 of APA  
Society of Directors of Research in Medical Education  
Society of Experimental Psychology  
Society of General Internal Medicine  
Society of Gynecologic Oncology  
Society of Interventional Radiology  
Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging  
Society of Radiologist in Ultrasound  
Society of Skeletal Radiology  
Society of Teachers of Family Medicine  
Society of Thoracic Radiology  
Society of Thoracic Radiology  
Society of Toxicology  
Society of University Surgeons  
Solve M.E.  
St. Baldrick's Foundation  
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital  
Stanford University  
Star Legacy Foundation  
Stickler Involved People  
StopAfib.org  
STXBP1 Foundation  
Susan G. Komen  
Temple University  
Texas A&M University Health Science Center  
The American Society for Cell Biology  
The American Society of Radiologic Technologists  
The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration  
The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO)  
The Cerebral Palsy Research Network  
The Coalition Against Pediatric Pain  
The FamilieSCN2A Foundation  
The Fibroid Foundation  
The Judy Nicholson Kidney Cancer Foundation  
The LCC Foundation  
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
The Louisa Adelynn Johnson Fund for Complex Disease  
The Lundquist Institute  
The Marfan Foundation

The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research  
The Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Action Network (MEAction)  
The National Pancreas Foundation  
The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center  
The Rory Belle Foundation  
The School of Theoretical Modeling  
The STARR Coalition  
The University of Houston  
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB)  
Tigerlily Foundation  
Triage Cancer  
TSC Alliance  
Tufts University  
Tulane University School of Medicine  
Tuskegee University College of Veterinary Medicine  
UC San Diego Health Sciences  
UL Research Institutes  
UMass Chan Medical School  
Unique (Rare Chromosome and Gene Disorder Support Group)  
Unite 2 Fight Paralysis  
United for Medical Research  
United MSD Foundation  
University at Buffalo  
University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences  
University Health Partners of Hawaii  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry  
University of California System  
University of California, Irvine  
University of California, San Francisco  
University of Chicago Medical Center  
University of Cincinnati  
University of Colorado  
University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus  
University of Colorado Boulder  
University of Colorado Colorado Springs  
University of Colorado Denver  
University of Illinois College of Medicine  
University of Iowa  
University of Maryland, Baltimore  
University of Miami Miller School of Medicine  
University of Michigan  
University of Minnesota Medical School  
University of Mississippi Medical Center  
University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV)  
University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine  
University of New Mexico  
University of Oregon  
University of Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh  
University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine  
University of Rochester  
University of Utah Health  
University of Virginia  
University of Wisconsin - Madison  
UsAgainstAlzheimer's  
Usher 1F Collaborative  
Usher Syndrome Coalition  
Usher Syndrome Society  
UTRGV School of Medicine  
UVA Health  
v-ATPase Alliance  
Vandalia Health  
Vanderbilt University  
Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
VentureWell  
VHL Alliance  
Virginia Tech  
Vision Sciences Society  
wAIHA Warriors  
Washington State University  
Washington University in St. Louis  
Wayne State University  
West Virginia University  
Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine  
Wilson Disease Association  
Wiskott-Aldrich Foundation  
World Molecular Imaging Society  
Yale University  
ZERO Prostate Cancer

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