



## OVAC FY 2011 Appropriations Requests

One Voice Against Cancer (OVAC), a broad coalition of cancer-related organizations representing millions of Americans, works in support of federally funded programs that engage in the fight against cancer, and will work to ensure that the Administration and Congress make funding for cancer research and related programs a priority in fiscal year (FY) 2011.

Continuation of the support provided through the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act* and *FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act* is critical to achieving long-term success at reducing overall cancer incidence and mortality. Thanks to these recent investments, our nation is well positioned to carry out the President's charge of having a national cancer program that will "have the greatest impact on developing innovative diagnostics, treatments, and cures for cancer."

These recent investments have created dramatic new opportunities in research, spurring innovation in areas such as genetics and personalized medicine that will yield long-term economic benefits. Beyond the economic value, these investments are improving the quality of life for millions of Americans. Continuation of this research will support the development of new and improved preventive, detection, and therapeutic tools for all forms of cancer, something that is especially important for the high mortality cancers for which we have yet to see significant progress. It is therefore critical that the nation's cancer research investment not be cut. Federal support for research must be sustained at a level that will allow progress to continue. To provide sustainable and predictable funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Cancer Institute (NCI), OVAC is requesting that the NIH receive \$35.2 billion in FY 2011, which would provide NCI with \$5.79 billion.

It is also important to note that at least half of all cancer deaths last year could have been detected early and aggressively treated, or prevented altogether simply by using the knowledge and tools that are already available to us today. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) cancer prevention and control programs provide vital resources to every state for cancer monitoring and surveillance, screening programs, tobacco cessation, state cancer control planning and implementation, and awareness initiatives targeting skin, prostate, colon, ovarian, and blood cancers. Enhanced funding for the CDC in FY 2011 will ensure that a half-million women are screened for breast cancer, tens of thousands of men and women have access to colorectal screening, and provide greater support for state and local awareness and education programs.

Oncology nurses are on the front-lines of the provision of quality cancer care and contribute significantly to cancer research. In order to address the current and future nursing workforce shortage, additional funding to federal nursing workforce development programs to ensure enough resources to fund a higher rate of nursing scholarships and loan repayment applications and to support other essential endeavors to sustain and boost our nation's nursing workforce.

Finally, OVAC recognizes the importance of additional funding for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to finance critical safety programs, open new foreign offices, upgrade laboratories, scientific expertise and information technology systems, as well as hire more inspectors. A strong FDA is needed to deliver safe and effective therapies to market. The member organizations recognize the critical role that the FDA serves as the nexus between new scientific discoveries and routine cancer care.

For FY 2011, OVAC will urge the Administration and Congress to support the following funding recommendations:

**National Institutes of Health (NIH)**

*\$35.2 billion (\$4.2 billion (13.5%) over FY 2010)*

**National Cancer Institute (NCI)**

*\$5.79 billion (\$691 million (13.5%) over FY 2010)*

**National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NCMHD)**

*\$240 million (\$29 million (13.5%) over FY 2010)*

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (CDC)**

*\$601million (\$126 million (26%) over FY 2010)*

- **National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program: \$50 million (\$29 million over FY 2010)**
- **National Program of Cancer Registries: \$65 million (\$14 million over FY 2010)**
- **National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program: \$255 million (\$40 million over FY 2010)**
- **Colorectal Cancer Screening, Education & Outreach Initiative: \$50 million (\$5 million over FY 2010)**
- **National Skin Cancer Prevention Education Program: \$5 million (\$3 million over FY 2010)**
- **Prostate Cancer Awareness Campaign: \$25 million (\$11 million over FY 2010)**
- **Ovarian Cancer Control Initiative: \$10 million (\$4 million over FY 2010)**
- **Geraldine Ferraro Blood Cancer Program: \$6 million (\$1.3 million over FY 2010)**
- **Gynecologic Cancer and Education and Awareness (Johanna's Law): \$10 million (\$3 million over FY 2010)**
- **Office of Smoking and Health: \$125 million (\$14 million over FY 2010)**

**Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**

- **Patient Navigator Program: \$18.6 million**
- **Title VIII Nursing Programs: TBD**

**Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**

*\$2.857 billion (\$500 million (21%) over FY 2010)*

**Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Secretary**

- **Childhood Cancer Research and Awareness: \$30 million**



## **Groups Signed on to the FY 2011 Appropriations Request**

Alliance for Prostate Cancer Prevention  
American Academy of Dermatology Association  
American Association for Cancer Research  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
American Society for Radiation Oncology  
Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum  
Association of American Cancer Institutes  
Bladder Cancer Action Network  
C3: Colorectal Cancer Coalition  
Charlene Miers Foundation for Cancer Research  
Colon Cancer Alliance  
CureSearch National Childhood Cancer Foundation  
Friends of Cancer Research  
Intercultural Cancer Council Caucus  
International Myeloma Foundation  
Lance Armstrong Foundation  
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
Malecare Prostate Cancer Support  
Melanoma Research Foundation  
Men's Health Network  
National Alliance for Hispanic Health  
National Alliance of State Prostate Cancer Coalitions  
National Cervical Cancer Coalition/HPV Cancer Coalition  
National Coalition for Cancer Research (NCCR)  
National Patient Advocate Foundation  
Nevada Cancer Institute  
Ovarian Cancer National Alliance  
Pancreatic Cancer Action Network  
Pennsylvania Prostate Cancer Coalition  
Prevent Cancer Foundation  
Sarcoma Foundation of America  
Society of Gynecologic Oncologists  
Susan G. Komen for the Cure Advocacy Alliance  
Us TOO International Prostate Cancer Education and Support Network  
ZERO- The Project to End Prostate Cancer