## **Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations**

On March 9, President Biden released the fiscal year 2024 (FY2024) Executive Budget Request to Congress, a non-binding budget proposal that lays out the Administration's spending and policy priorities for FY2024 and sets the starting point for Congressional negotiations on the appropriations bills. The Biden Administration is proposing significant investments in public health, including a \$237 million national PrEP program, a \$11.3 billion national hepatitis C virus (HCV) elimination initiative, and a new \$50 million Community Harm Reduction and Engagement Initiative.

The budget request included the following funding allocations:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- Domestic HIV Prevention and Research \$1,099 million (+\$113 m)
- HIV Prevention \$755.6 million (+\$0)
- EHE Initiative \$310 million (+\$90 m)
- School Health \$90.1 million (+\$52 m)
- Viral Hepatitis \$54.5 million (+\$11.5 m)
- Infectious Disease and the Opioid Epidemic \$23 million (+\$0)

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- Ryan White (EHE) \$2.696 billion (+\$125 m)
- Ryan White (Part B Care) \$464.6 million (+\$0)
- Ryan White (Part B ADAP) \$900.3 million (+\$0)
- Ryan White (Part D) \$77. 9 million (+\$0)
- Community Health Centers (EHE) \$172.3 million (+\$15 m)

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

• Community Harm Reduction and Engagement Initiative - \$50 million (+\$50 m)

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

• Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) - \$505 million (+6 m)

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

- National PrEP Program \$237 million (+\$237 m)
- National HCV Elimination Initiative \$11.3 billion (+\$11.3 b)
- Minority HIV/AIDS Fund \$60 million (+\$0)

Additionally, the <u>SAMHSA budget justification document</u> calls for the removal of the ban on federal funds to purchase syringes. <u>Click here</u> to read a NASTAD blog post that provides more details on the funding provisions included in the President's Budget Request to Congress for FY2024.

The final FY2024 appropriations bills, however, will require bipartisan agreement on spending levels. Republicans in the House of Representatives have <u>pledged</u> to leverage their majority in the lower chamber to impose budget cuts as condition for supporting a <u>bipartisan debt-limit fix</u>, which complicates the viability of the landmark national PrEP and HCV elimination programs and will likely result in lower funding allocations than proposed in the President's budget for health programs. NASTAD will continue to monitor the appropriations process and advocate for the highest funding level on behalf of HIV and hepatitis programs.

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