

Federal Funding for Health Services Research (as of December 26, 2007)

Funding (in millions)								
Agency	FY2007 Estimated	President FY2008 Request	House Final FY 2008	Senate Final FY 2008	Conference Agreement FY 2008 (vetoed)	FINAL FY 2008 ¹	Coalition Minimum Target	Coalition Projected Need
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	\$319	\$329	\$329	\$329	\$334.6	\$334.6	\$350	\$500
CDC: National Centers for Health Statistics	\$109	\$110	\$120	\$117	\$116.5	\$113.6	\$117	\$150
CDC: Public Health Research	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$33	\$50
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	\$58	\$34 ²	\$23	\$35	\$32	\$31	\$45 ³	\$80
HRSA: Rural Health Research	\$8.7	\$8.7	\$9.5	\$9.5	\$9.5	\$8.6	--	--
National Institutes of Health	\$921 ⁴	\$950 ⁵	\$978 ⁵	\$987 ⁵	\$990 ⁵	\$965 ⁵	\$ 1,000 ⁶	\$1,500 ⁷
Veterans Health Administration	\$64 ⁸	\$64 ⁹	\$74 ⁹	\$77 ⁹	\$74 ⁹	\$64 ⁹	\$68	\$75

Sources: *Federal Funding for Health Services Research*, Coalition for Health Services Research (Dec. 2006), H. J. Res. 20 (FY 2007), *Budget of the United States Government*, Office of Management and Budget (FY 2008), H.R. 3043 (FY 2008), S. 1710 (FY 2008), H.R. 2764 (FY 2008 omnibus).

Note: Coalition targets are established annually by the Coalition for Health Services Research Board of Directors. The Coalition's "minimum target" reflects what funding for health services research would be in FY 2008 if funding had kept up with inflation since FY 2005 and represents what the agencies and programs need to sustain the current scope of work. The Coalition's "projected need" represents what programs and agencies need to expand their current scope of work and address priorities of the field of health services research, such as greater investment in the next generation of researchers, methods development, data sets, and comparative effectiveness research.

With the HRSA line added at the direction of the Coalition Board May 2007, funded targets have not yet been established.

¹ The original Labor-HHS spending package was vetoed by the President on November 13. These funding levels reflect the 1.747 percent "across the board" cut in the Labor-HHS bill for programs with budget authority (agencies and programs funded through the evaluation tap, such as AHRQ and NCHS, are not subject to the cut).

² Includes \$15 million in FY 2007 and a request for \$10 million in FY 2008 for the Real Choice System Change grant program, thereby affecting the funding level for discretionary R&D.

³ This target represents funding for discretionary R&D; it does not include earmarks for special projects, such as the Real Choice System Change grant program.

⁴ Estimated health services research dollars as reported by the NIH.

⁵ This figure represents what we expect health services research would receive if it maintains its current proportion of overall NIH funding (roughly 3.30 percent). The president's budget requested \$28.8 billion in FY 2008; the House bill provided \$29.6 billion; the Senate bill provided \$29.9 billion; the conference agreement provided \$30 billion. The final omnibus bill provided NIH \$29.2 billion.

⁶ The Coalition's NIH target is 3.30 percent of the overall funding target agreed upon by the broader health research community, including the National Health Council, Research!America, the Coalition for Health Funding, the Coalition for Medical Research, and the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology. Their target for overall NIH funding in FY 2008 is \$30.8 billion.

⁷ The "projected need" being sought by the Coalition represents what NIH's health services research budget would be if its share of \$30.8 billion (health community's budget target for FY 2008) were increased from 3.3 percent to five percent.

⁸ Estimated health services research dollars as reported by the VA.

⁹ This figure represents what we expect health services research would receive if it maintains its current proportion of overall VA Medical and Prosthetic Research funding (roughly 15.5 percent). Medical and Prosthetic Research received \$413.7 million in FY 2007; the president's budget requested \$411 million for this research in FY 2008. The House bill provided \$480 million; the Senate bill provided \$500 million; the conference agreement provided \$480 million. The final omnibus bill provided \$411 million for this research.