President's Budget for 2016

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The President's budget for 2016 would eliminate the prostate cancer program at CDC.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CDC FY 2016 Congressional Justification

OVERVIEW OF THE BUDGET REQUEST

The fiscal year (FY) 2016 President's Budget request for CDC and ATSDR includes a total funding level of \$11,519,365,000 in discretionary budget authority, mandatory funding, and the Affordable Care Act Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPHF). This is an overall increase of \$249,953,000 above the FY 2015 Enacted level. The CDC program level request of \$7,010,103,000 (excluding mandatory programs except the Prevention Fund) for FY 2016 is an increase of \$110,685,000 compared to the FY 2015 Enacted level.

The FY 2016 budget request builds on priorities set forth in CDC's FY 2015 President's budget, proposing strategic new investments and identifying targeted reductions that will allow CDC to advance its core public health mission.

Prostate Cancer (- \$13.2 million)

The FY 2016 budget request eliminates funding for prostate cancer activities. While the evidence on prostate cancer screening remains unclear, CDC has conducted extensive research on and developed materials to help doctors and other health providers better communicate with their patients about informed decision making related to prostate cancer screening and treatment. The proposed elimination will not impact CDC's ability to collect data on national prostate cancer incidence through the National Program of Cancer Registries, nor hinder the ability to share resources and lessons learned. (emphasis added)

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CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

Summary

CDC's FY 2016 request of \$1,058,058,000 for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion is \$140,162,000 below the FY 2015 Enacted level. This includes a decrease of \$41,568,000 below the FY 2015 Enacted level for Colorectal, Breast and Cervical Cancer screening programs, reflecting increased coverage for these services through expanded insurance coverage.

The FY 2016 Budget also eliminates the Prostate Cancer program. CDC and other federal agencies follow the prostate cancer screening recommendations set forth by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, which recommends against PSA-based screening for men who do not have symptoms. (emphasis added)

The Budget also eliminates the REACH program and reduces Partnerships to Improve Community Health.