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White House 2017 budget again eliminates CDC prostate cancer funding

WASHINGTON – Prostate cancer remains the second leading cause of cancer death among men, but the President's 2017 budget request again proposes the elimination of prostate cancer funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"Prostate cancer has affected and will continue to affect millions of men and their families. Every dollar of funding helps to get guys to their doctors and screened," said Dr. Jamin Brahmbhatt, co-director of the PUR (Personalized Urology and Robotics) Clinic. "The CDC programs not only help inform at-risk men about prostate cancer, but are also critical to our understanding of prostate cancer screening and treatment patterns, and how individuals and their families make decisions about how to proceed when prostate cancer is diagnosed."

Men's Health Network will continue its outreach to both the Administration and Congress to make sure prostate cancer resources stay a relevant and critical piece of the nation's future health strategy. "We were disappointed to see that the President's budget would eliminate this key funding at the CDC, which has been instrumental in improving decision-making for patients and providers," said Brandon Leonard, MHN's director of strategic initiatives. "We have an obligation to do more for the one in seven men in America will receive a prostate cancer diagnosis this year."

Information on the FY 2017 President's Budget for prostate cancer can be found at: <http://www.menshealthnetwork.org/library/CDC-prostate-cancer-budget-2017.pdf>

Information regarding prostate cancer can be found at: <http://www.menshealthresourcecenter.com/>

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