



## **President Obama released his FY 2011 Budget this week Implications for Part D Programs AIDS Alliance Next Steps**

Although we are pleased that the President's FY 2011 budget does not freeze domestic HIV/AIDS spending, we are disappointed by the minimal and uneven increases. In particular, AIDS Alliance is disappointed that the budget flat-funds the vital work of Ryan White Part D programs. Overall the President is proposing an increase of \$39 million, or just 1.7 percent to the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, which provides life-saving healthcare, treatment and support services to low-income people living with HIV/AIDS.

While there is clearly a verbal commitment from the White House that HIV/AIDS is a priority for this administration, including the President's call for a National HIV/AIDS Strategy, the resources committed in the FY 2011 budget are not sufficient to meet the needs of underserved Americans living with HIV/AIDS. The recession has forced state budgets across the nation to make drastic programmatic cuts in HIV/AIDS services. These state budget cuts in combination with small or no increases for federal programs presents serious challenges to the Part D providers and community that AIDS Alliance represents. This budget potentially puts at risk the successes that Part D providers have had in engaging and retaining women, children, youth and families in high quality, comprehensive and accessible HIV/AIDS care and services.

### **Highlights of the President's Budget**

1. The President's budget does not increase funding for the Part D programs.
2. The budget also does not increase Part A.
3. The President's budget calls for a \$20 million increase, or 2.4 percent, to the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP). This is far from the increase of \$370 million for ADAP that is needed.
4. The budget proposes an increase of \$31 million, or a little more than a 4 percent increase, for HIV prevention at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), while the CDC estimates a need for an increase of \$878 million to bring down the number of new infections.
5. Under the President's proposed budget, the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program at HUD, which provides housing for low income people with AIDS, is slated to receive \$340 million, an increase of \$5 million, at a time when more people are losing their jobs and becoming homeless.
6. Medical research at the National Institutes of Health would receive an increase of \$1 billion, or 3.3 percent. These additional funds can help in the discovery of new drug therapies that prolong and improve people's lives and help in HIV prevention, including the development of behavioral interventions and biomedical technologies such as vaccines and microbicides.

7. The proposed budget calls for an increase of over \$19 million for a Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program. AIDS Alliance supports this program, but it needs to be expanded to also include the prevention of HIV and other STDs for all adolescents.

The President's proposed budget is only the first step in the budgetary process for 2011. The House and the Senate then each develop their own budget, based on the President's recommendations. If different, the two Congressional budgets are merged into a compromise budget that is returned to the President for approval and signature.

## Next Steps

1. AIDS Alliance will call on Congress to, at the very least, meet the 5% increase called for in the Ryan White reauthorization.
2. AIDS Alliance will meet with our key Congressional champions in the House and Senate in order to educate them on the critical need for increases in the 2011 budget.
3. AIDS Alliance will work with all of you to organize meetings in key Congressional districts in order to show first hand the tremendous programs in place and successes of the Part D programs.
4. AIDS Alliance will call on all of you attending the Voices Conference to bring these messages to Capital Hill.
5. AIDS Alliance will continue to provide input into the National HIV/AIDS Strategy that is being developed by the Office of National AIDS Policy and will call on the President and Congress to provide adequate resources to make sure that the plan can be implemented.

<b>Ryan White Program</b>	<b>Community Request FY 2011</b>	<b>President's Request FY 2011</b>
Part A	\$905m (+225.9m)	\$679.1m (+\$0m)
Part B Base	\$474.7m (+55.9m)	\$428.8m (+\$10m)
Part B ADAP	\$1205.1m (+370.1m)	\$855.0m (+\$20m)
Part C	\$337.8m (+131m)	\$211.9m (+\$5.1m)
Part D	\$84.8m (+7m)	\$77.8m (+\$0m)
Part F AETC	\$50m (+15.2m)	\$37.4m (+\$2.6m)
Part F Dental Reimbursement	\$19m (+5.4m)	\$15.4m (+1.8m)