

NCI Legislative Update

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Legislative Activities

Appropriations Status

Legislation of Interest – 1st Session

Outlook – 2nd Session

Appropriations Status

FY 2008 Appropriations finally wrapped up on Dec. 26

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FY 2009 Appropriations cycle began Feb. 4 with the announcement of the President's Budget

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Appropriations Timeline

- February -- Department level Hearings with multiple committees
- Early March – House NIH overview hearing tentatively scheduled March 5
- No House hearings scheduled for individual Institutes
- Senate hearings – TBD
- **Ideal** timeline – House bills June; Senate bills July; Conference September
- **Realistic** timeline – House bills June/July; Senate bills July/September; CR thru election

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1st Session Legislation - Passed

- ✓ Omnibus Appropriations (PL 110-161)
- ✓ Breast Cancer Stamp Reauthorization (PL 110-150)
- ✓ FDA Amendments Act (PL 110-85)
- ✓ National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program Reauthorization (PL 110-18)
- ✓ Stem Cell Research Enhancement (passed but vetoed)

1st Session Legislation- Pending

- ✓ Conquer Childhood Cancer Act
- ✓ Breast Cancer & Environment Research Act
- ✓ Genomics and Personalized Medicine Act
- ✓ Genetic Information Non-Discrimination Act
- ✓ Ovarian Cancer Biomarker Research Act

1st Session Legislation- New

Pediatric, Adolescent, and Young Adult Cancer Survivorship Research and Quality of Life Act

- HR 4450 Introduced Dec. 11, 2007
- Sponsored by Reps. Hilda Solis (D-CA) and Mary Bono (R-CA)
- Includes provisions involving HHS, NIH, NCI, CDC, HRSA

HR 4450 – Key Provisions

NCI Director

- Coordinate NIH activities in survivorship research
- Give priority to certain research areas
 - Assess prevalence and etiology of late effects of cancer and treatment
 - Identify predictors of neurocognitive and psychosocial outcomes, quality of life in cancer survivors and families
 - Causes of health disparities in childhood cancer research
 - Evaluate systems of follow up care

HR 4450 – Key Provisions

HHS

- Grants to recognized childhood cancer advocacy programs to improve psychosocial care

CDC with NCI

- Provide guidance to states on interventions that may be incorporated into State Cancer Control programs to improve long-term health status and existing surveillance systems

HRSA

- Grants to entities establish pilot programs to develop, study, or evaluate model systems for monitoring and caring for childhood cancer survivors

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2nd Session—Pessimistic Outlook

- Legislative action?
- Appropriations?
- Presidential election year
- Few legislative days
- Low motivation to compromise

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