



# NCI Legislative Update

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# Appropriations Status – FY 2011

## What Has Already Happened

- President's Budget announced Feb. 1
- NIH - \$32.09 Billion; NCI – \$5.26 Billion
- Senate action (S 3686)
  - ✓ Passed by Subcommittee July 27
  - ✓ Passed/reported by full Committee July 29
  - ✓ NIH - \$32.01 Billion; NCI - \$5.26 Billion
- House action
  - ✓ Subcommittee passed July 15
- CR passed – through Dec. 3



# Appropriations – What's Next?

Lame Duck Session begins Nov. 15 – then what?

- Pass individual appropriations bills
- Pass omnibus bill
- Pass short CR; work on early in 2011
- Pass full year CR



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# New Legislation Introduced

## HR 6224

- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cancer Access to Life-Saving Early Detection, Research and Treatment (ALERT) Act
- Introduced by Rep. Lois Capps on Sept 28
- Companion to Senate bill introduced by Kennedy

## HR 5861

- Cancer Centers Assistance for Renovations and Expansion Act
- Loan program for qualifying cancer centers
- Introduced by Rep. Kilroy (D-OH) on July 26



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# Project Cancer Education

- Pilot event was held July 30
- Sponsored jointly with AACI
- Attended by 4 Congressional staff and 2 members of advocacy organizations
- Provided a firsthand view of translational research
- Planning future events





# Briefing for House Members

- Dr. Varmus conducted a briefing for House Members on Sept. 29
- Q&A and lively discussion
- Event was sponsored by AACR



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# The Next Congress

What we know:

- New Congress will convene Jan. 2011
- Many new members

What we don't know:

- Which party will be in the majority?
- Who will be in the leadership?
- What will be the priorities?



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