

NCI Legislative Update

Clinical Trials and Translational Research Advisory Committee

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Appropriations Status

FY 2010 – Final Action

- NIH - \$31.0 Billion; NCI - \$ 5.1 Billion
- Omnibus bill signed Dec. 16 (PL 111-117)

FY 2011

- President's Budget announced Feb. 1
- NIH - \$32.09 Billion; NCI - \$5.26 Billion
- HHS Secretary multiple hearings - March
- House NIH Budget hearing – March 24
- Senate NIH – April 21

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Prostate Cancer: New Questions About Screening and Treatment

- Conducted by House Oversight and Government Reform Committee on March 4
- Chaired by Rep. Edolphus Towns
- NCI Witness – Dr. Bill Dahut (CCR)

Key Issues

Research Questions

Screening Guidelines

Imaging

Health Disparities

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- ✓ SBIR
 - Temporary Extension(s)
 - Set-aside of ARRA funds
 - Long-term Reauthorization

- ✓ Access to Cancer Clinical Trials Act

SBIR Legislation

Extension of SBIR Program

- A series of laws have been passed since 2006 to provide temporary extensions to the program.
- The most recent (HR 4508) extends the program through April 30, 2010

Include SBIR set aside in ARRA

- **S 1832** - Small Business Access to Capital Act
 - Sen. Mary Landrieu introduced Oct. 21
 - Removes a provision from ARRA that exempts NIH from set aside for SBIR
 - Requires NIH to obligate \$150 M of ARRA to SBIR

SBIR Legislation

Reauthorization of SBIR Program

- ✓ **HR 2965** – Enhancing SBIR Act
 - ✓ **HR 2772** – SBIR & STTR Enhancement Act
 - ✓ **S 1233** – SBIR/STTR Reauthorization Act
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- Specific details of each bill beginning page 28
 - Many similar provisions
 - Set-aside increases vary slightly among bills
 - Not clear which bill has most support at this time

Access to Cancer Clinical Trials

Companion Bills

- **HR 716** – Rep. Israel (D-NY)
- **S 488** – Senator Brown (D-OH)
- Longstanding Congressional interest in issue
- Similar bills have been introduced in every Congress since 2001, but none passed.
- This year, it might have a chance -- language from this bill was incorporated into the Senate Health Care Reform Bill.

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111th Congress – 2nd Session

- Democrats regrouping
- Republicans strategizing

What will they work on in 2010?

- Appropriations? Yes
- Health Care Reform? Probably
- Other Health-related Bills? Maybe

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