



Advocacy Update

The U.S. Appropriations Process & the President's FY2020 Budget

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★ What is your experience being a global health advocate?

INTEL:

Current State of Affairs

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FY 2020 Appropriations Process and Timeline

- President's Budget Released (March)
- Congress:
 - Budget Committee: reviews President's Budget and passes a Budget Resolution
 - Appropriations Committee
 - **Hearings on funding priorities (now)**
 - Subcommittees draft and mark up bills (expected to begin in late April)
 - Full Committee reviews and passes bills
 - Floor Vote (first votes expected in June)
- Send to the President for signature

PRESIDENT'S FY2020 BUDGET



- **International Affairs Budget**

- 24% cut
- \$42.7 billion (down from \$56.1 billion compared to FY2019)

- **Global Health Programs**

(USAID and State Department)

- 28% cut
- \$6.34 billion (down by \$2.5 billion compared to FY2019)

- **CDC and NIH**

- CDC: Overall cut of \$1.13 billion (\$31 million Global Health)
- NIH: Cut of \$769.3 million for NIAID and \$11.1 million for Fogarty International Center



	FY19 Enacted	FY20 President's Request	FY20 GHC Recommendation
Global Health Programs (USAID and State)	\$8,837,450	\$6,343,475	\$11,440,000
Maternal and Child Health	\$835,000	\$619,600	\$900,000
of which Gavi	\$290,000	\$250,000	\$290,000
Polio in all accounts	\$59,000	\$23,000	\$59,000
Family Planning in all accounts	\$607,500	\$237,000 ¹	\$1,660,000
Nutrition	\$145,000	\$78,500	\$250,000
Vulnerable Children	\$24,000	\$0	\$25,000
Malaria	\$755,000	\$674,000	\$755,000
Tuberculosis	\$302,000	\$261,000	\$400,000
Neglected Tropical Diseases	\$102,500	\$75,000	\$125,000
HIV/AIDS (USAID)	\$330,000	\$0	\$350,000
HIV/AIDS (bilateral, State)	\$4,370,000	\$3,071,600 ²	\$5,500,000
Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria	\$1,350,000	\$958,400 ³	\$1,560,000
Global Health Security	\$138,000 ⁴	\$90,000	\$172,500
Emergency Reserve Fund	\$2,000	NA	\$294,000
UNICEF (IO&P)	\$132,500	NA	\$132,500
Water (in all accounts)	\$435,000	NA	\$435,000
CDC (HHS)			
Center for Global Health	\$488,621	\$457,000	\$642,000
of which Global Public Health Protection	\$108,200	\$100,000	\$208,200
Infectious Diseases Rapid Reserve Fund		\$50,000	
Center for Emerging Zoonotic and Infectious Diseases	\$620,372	\$509,000	\$699,270
NIH (HHS)			
Fogarty International Center	\$78,109	\$67,000	\$78,150
NIAID	\$5,523,324	\$4,754,000	\$5,506,190

FY2020 U.S. APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS



- **House and Senate Hearings:**

- **February 27:** House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC): Administrator Green testified on oversight of USAID
- **March 12:** Public Witness Testimony - GHC and a number of GHC members testified
- **March 27:** HFAC: Secretary Pompeo spoke on State Department's Foreign Policy and FY 2020 Budget Request

- ***Coming Soon:***

- **April:** Secretary Pompeo to appear before Senate Committees; Administrator Green before HFAC
- **Late April:** bills drafted: potentially Labor-H, Defense and Legislative Branch
- Senate usually later than the House.

- **Expiration of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018:** Need new budget deal to avoid sequestration
- **Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Replenishment**
- **Expiration of Ebola Emergency Supplemental Funding:** Impacts global health security programs at USAID and CDC



PENDING LEGISLATION IN U.S. CONGRESS



- **Global Progress Against Maternal & Child Malnutrition** ([H.Res.189](#)) - Reps. Roger Marshall (R-KS) and Jim McGovern (D-MA)
 - Recognizes importance of US leadership to accelerate global progress against maternal and child malnutrition and supports USAID's multi-sectoral nutrition strategy.
- **End Neglected Tropical Diseases Act** ([H.R. 826](#)) - Reps. Chris Smith (R-NJ), Karen Bass (D-CA), and Gregory Meeks (D-NY)
 - Facilitates effective research on and treatment of neglected tropical diseases, including Ebola, through coordinated domestic and international efforts.
- **Global HER Act:** (S.368) Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), and (H.R. 1055) Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)
 - Would remove eligibility restrictions on international recipients of U.S. foreign assistance

PENDING LEGISLATION IN U.S. CONGRESS



Legislation Expected to be Reintroduced:

- **Global Health Security Act** - Reps. Gerald Connolly (D-VA) and Steve Chabot (R-OH)
 - Authorizes a comprehensive, strategic approach for US foreign assistance to developing countries to strengthen global health security.
- **Frontline Health Workers Resolution** - Reps. Nita Lowey (D-NY) and Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL)
 - Recognizes frontline health workers in strengthening US national security and economic prosperity, sustaining and expanding progress on global health, and saving lives.
- **Reach Every Mother and Child Act** - Sens. Susan Collins (R-ME) and Chris Coons (D-DE)
 - Assists in holding USAID accountable to develop a strategy to eliminate child and maternal deaths, increase agency transparency, and codify a Child and Maternal Survival Coordinator.

RESOURCES:

Messages for Global Health

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GLOBAL HEALTH BRIEFING BOOK



- **What is it?**
 - 19 one page briefs on different global health topics
 - The impact of U.S. investments and policies
 - Recommendations for Congress
- **Written by global health advocacy community for education and advocacy on the Hill**

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Global Health Overview

- Health Systems Strengthening
- Frontline Health Workers
- Global Health Security
- Maternal and Child Health
- Vaccines and Immunization
- Nutrition
- Family Planning and Reproductive Health
- Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
- HIV/AIDS
- Malaria
- Tuberculosis
- Neglected Tropical Diseases
- Noncommunicable Diseases
- Health Research and Development
- Digital Health
- Health and Humanitarian Response

GLOBAL HEALTH OVERVIEW

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW | RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONGRESS | WHY THIS INVESTMENT IS IMPORTANT | PDF

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Global health programs seek to improve the overall well-being of individuals, families, and communities. Toward this end, global health programming addresses the physical and mental health needs of individuals; treats and prevents the spread of infectious diseases; strengthens the capabilities of health workers and health systems; and increases the accessibility of health care services.

Strong health systems reduce the risk and cost of pandemics, long-term disability, and premature death, helping populations in developing countries become more productive and contribute to their own economies and societies.

Through investments in global health programs, the United States has contributed to saving millions of lives. Many diseases that threatened millions of people only a decade ago are in decline. U.S. leadership in global health initiatives has helped to have preventable child deaths, decrease deaths from malaria by 60%, and reduce maternal mortality by 60% since 1990. Through the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the United States has also provided lifesaving antiretroviral treatment (ART) for more than 14 million men, women, and children in need. U.S. efforts are at the forefront in the fight against future disease threats, promoting global health security, building resilient health systems with skilled frontline workforces, and advancing the development of essential tools to combat Ebola and Zika.

Global health programs are among the most important, cost-effective, and successful forms of foreign aid. For every \$1 invested in global health, there is an expected 10- to 20-fold return in economic benefits.^[1] Investing in global health allows low- and middle-income

FRONTLINE HEALTH WORKERS

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Investments in frontline health workers save millions of women's and children's lives, enhance global health security, and result in tremendous economic and social returns, both globally and domestically. Frontline health workers provide lifesaving services to communities with the least access to quality care, especially in remote and rural areas.

However, global health progress will stall without immediate action to facilitate greater and more strategic investment in frontline health workforces. A 2018 Lancet commission found more than 8 million people die annually in low- and middle-income countries because of "inadequate access to quality care," resulting in \$6 trillion in economic losses.¹

By and large, communities with the highest maternal and child death rates, as well as the greatest burden of disease — from Ebola, Zika, HIV, tuberculosis, and malaria, plus noncommunicable diseases — are also the same communities with the least access to quality health workforces. Without bold leadership and investment, the World Health Organization (WHO) projects a shortage of at least 18 million health workers by 2030.²

Investments in health have been shown to yield 9-to-1 returns,³ offering the massive potential to create 40 million new health worker jobs worldwide by 2030 and spark greater economic empowerment for women.⁴ Multisectoral investment in frontline health workers can halt outbreaks like Ebola and Zika, control disease epidemics, prevent millions of maternal and child deaths, and support resilient and self-reliant health systems.



Marlatou, a health worker working in Guinea with the USAID Stop Palu project, administers a rapid diagnostic test to a patient to test for malaria. Credit: RTI International/Patrick Adams



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONGRESS

Ensure all agencies receiving global health appropriations have the flexibility to implement investments in frontline health workforces with high long-term or catalytic potential.

An action plan for ensuring sustainable, fit-for-purpose frontline health workforces should be a key pillar of any cross-agency global health strategy, with concrete program targets and clear accountability mechanisms that strengthen health systems, catalyze multisectoral investment, and work toward resilience and self-reliance. This action plan should align with WHO's Workforce 2030 global health strategy and the Working for Health Action Plan. It should also include concrete accountability mechanisms for the protection of health care workers and services in conflict zones.

Domestic U.S. programs have also benefited from proven and innovative models that were supported by U.S. foreign assistance to address health workforce access and quality issues. The United States should facilitate more collaborative learning and lead efforts to mobilize additional private and public resources outside of the federal government, with the goal of strengthening frontline health workforces domestically and globally.

The United States should place a high policy priority on strengthening health workforces in the following ways:

- Mandate robust efforts to strengthen health workforces and reach the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) goals;
- Support the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Office of Health Systems in coordinating U.S. assistance to partner countries for strengthening their health workforces;
- Invest more under the Global Health Security Agenda and other mechanisms that assist partner countries in ensuring access to frontline health workers with the capacities laid out by the International Health Regulations; and
- Support the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) global health capacity-development and polio-eradication accounts.

TALKING POINTS



THE U.S. IS A LEADER IN GLOBAL HEALTH

Ending Infectious Diseases

Through PEPFAR, since 2003, more than **2.2 million babies at risk of HIV in Africa have been born free of HIV**, and millions of AIDS orphans and vulnerable children have received compassionate care and support.

Helping Families & Communities Prosper

Over the past 15 years, preventable **child deaths have been cut in half**, from about **12.7 million to 5.4 million**, and annual maternal deaths have declined from **532,000 to 303,000**.

Investing for the Future

One-third of all new global health technologies – **42 new drugs, vaccines, and diagnostics to fight HIV/AIDS, malaria, TB, Ebola, NTDs, and other health issues** – **have been supported by the U.S. government.**

TALKING POINTS



WE NEED CONTINUED U.S. LEADERSHIP TO MEET OUR EXISTING COMMITMENTS AS WELL AS ADDRESS RAPIDLY EVOLVING GLOBAL HEALTH RISKS, INCLUDING NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND OTHER NEGLECTED HEALTH THREATS THAT INCREASINGLY AFFECT ALL POPULATIONS.

ACTION:

Opportunities for Engagement

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★ **Let members of Congress know that you support:**

- Raising the budget caps for nondefense discretionary spending
- Topline International Affairs Budget \$60 billion
- SFOPS: Support Global Health and Development accounts at a minimum of FY 2019
- To have greatest impact need at least \$11.4 billion for global health which would include an increase to our contribution to the Global Fund
- Labor-H: support global health accounts at CDC and NIH

ORGANIZATIONS VS. INDIVIDUALS



- **Organizations** engage through Roundtables: Hill days, sign on letters, and lobbying efforts.
- **Individuals**



Contact your Members of Congress and ask them to maintain global health and foreign assistance investments. Share the facts above along with your personal stories and experience!



Write an op-ed or letter to the editor on why we need robust global health investments and submit it to local media outlets.



Spread the word throughout your community that #GlobalHealthWorks!

TAKE ACTION!



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**★ How will you use these
messages and resources in your
work?**

GLOBAL MOMENTS

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- **World Health Assembly** (May) and **UNGA** (September)
- **High Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage** -
September 23
 - Interactive Multistakeholder Meeting - April 29
- **G7** (France, August) and **G20** (Japan, June) **Meetings**

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Q&A

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