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Appropriation Estimate

REGIONAL MEDICAL PROGRAMS

To carry out title IX of the Act, **[\$58,814,000]** ~~\$68,922,000~~, of which **[\$53,900,000]** ~~\$62,900,000~~ shall remain available until June 30, **[1969]** 1970, for *such* grants pursuant to such title *as may be authorized by law. (Additional authorizing legislation to be proposed.)*

Appropriation Language Changes

This appropriation estimate anticipates extension of the legislative authorization for appropriations which expires with fiscal year 1968.

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Amounts Available for Obligation

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>
Appropriation.....	\$58,814,000	\$68,922,000
Unobligated balance brought forward.....	25,900,338	30,900,000
Unobligated balance carried forward.....	-30,900,000	.....
Total.....	53,814,338	99,822,000

Obligations by Activity

Page Ref.	1968		1969		Increase or Decrease	
	Estimate		Estimate		Amount	
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount
<u>Grants:</u>						
85	Regional medical programs.....	\$48,900,338		\$93,800,000		+\$44,899,662
<u>Direct operations:</u>						
89	Professional and technical assistance.....	33 2,958,000	51	3,314,000	+18	+356,000
90	Review and approval of grants.....	42 712,000	56	905,000	+14	+193,000
91	Program direction..	70 1,216,000	91	1,803,000	+21	+587,000
	Total obligations.....	145 53,786,338	198	99,822,000	+53	+46,035,662
	Unobligated balance reserve...	4 28,000	...	.....	-4	-28,000
	Total, obligations and reserve.....	149 53,814,338	198	99,822,000	+49	+46,007,662

Obligations by Object

	1968 Estimate	1969 Estimate	Increase or Decrease
Total number of permanent positions...	145	198	+53
Full-time equivalent of all other positions.....	6	6	..
Average number of all employees.....	137	175	+38
Personnel compensation:			
Permanent positions.....	\$1,346,000	\$1,828,000	+\$482,000
Positions other than permanent.....	51,000	51,000	.....
Other personnel compensation.....	15,000	15,000	.....
Total personnel compensation.....	1,412,000	1,894,000	+482,000
Personnel benefits.....	134,000	188,000	+54,000
Travel and transportation of persons..	190,000	240,000	+50,000
Transportation of things.....	9,000	12,000	+3,000
Rent, communications and utilities....	43,000	63,000	+20,000
Printing and reproduction.....	31,000	42,000	+11,000
Other services.....	154,000	184,000	+30,000
Project contracts.....	2,375,000	2,545,000	+170,000
Payment to "National Institutes of Health management fund".....	485,000	763,000	+278,000
Supplies and materials.....	23,000	49,000	+26,000
Equipment.....	30,000	42,000	+12,000
Grants, subsidies, and contributions..	48,900,338	93,800,000	+44,899,662
Total obligations by object.....	53,786,338	99,822,000	+46,035,662

Summary of Changes

1968 enacted appropriation.....	\$58,814,000
Unobligated balance brought forward to 1968.....	25,900,338
Unobligated balance carried forward to 1969.....	-30,900,000
Unobligated balance, reserve.....	<u>-28,000</u>
1968 total estimated obligations.....	53,786,338
1969 estimated obligations.....	<u>99,822,000</u>
Total change.....	<u>+46,035,662</u>

<u>Increase</u>	<u>Base</u>		<u>Change from Base</u>	
	<u>Positions</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Positions</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>A. Built-in</u>				
1. Annualization of new positions authorized in 1968.....	...	.....	...	\$90,000
2. Annualization of 1968 pay increase costs.....	...	.....	...	16,000
3. One additional day of pay in 1969.....	...	.....	...	13,000
Subtotal, built-in.....	...	.....	...	119,000
<u>B. Program</u>				
1. Grants.....	...	\$48,900,338	...	\$44,899,662
2. Professional and technical assistance.....	33	2,890,000	18	257,000
3. Review and approval of grants.....	42	641,000	14	176,000
4. Program direction.....	70	870,000	21	306,000
Subtotal, program.....	145	53,301,338	53	45,638,662
<u>C. Centrally furnished services from the National Institutes of Health management fund:</u>				
(a) Professional and technical assistance.....	...	68,000	...	4,000

<u>Increases</u>	<u>Base</u>		<u>Change from Base</u>	
	<u>Positions</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Positions</u>	<u>Amount</u>
C. Program--continued				
(b) Review and approval of grants.....	...	71,000	...	8,000
(c) Program direction..	...	346,000	...	266,000
Subtotal, management fund....	...	485,000	...	278,000
Total net change requested....	145	53,786,338	+53	+46,035,662

Explanation of Changes

Grants for regional medical programs - It is estimated that 24 of the 54 Regional Medical Programs will have entered their operational phase during 1968. The increase of \$44,899,662 will be used primarily to initiate 30 new operational programs and to provide second or third year funding to those programs already established.

Professional and technical assistance - The program increase of 18 new positions and \$257,000 includes: \$50,000 for a contract program of operations research begun in 1967; \$50,000 for contracts to be awarded to universities to increase the supply of trained personnel in the fields of continuing education, educational research, and evaluation of continuing education in the health sciences; \$157,000 for additional positions necessary for providing assistance to regional personnel in the planning, development and operation of their programs.

Review and approval of grants - The program increase of 14 positions and \$176,000 is required to bring the functions of grants review and grants management to adequate staffing levels in 1969, during which all regions are expected to request operational grants.

Program direction - The program increase of 21 positions and \$306,000 will permit support of contracts to carry out planning and evaluation studies to identify and investigate issues related to future program developments and to formulate measures of performance by which regional operations may be evaluated; expansion in the communication and information programs which link the regional programs, the Division, and the general public; and increased requirements for centralized administrative services, including management analysis and contract administration.

Significant Items inHouse and Senate Appropriations Committee Reports

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action taken or to be taken</u>
<u>1968 House Report</u>	No action required
<u>1968 Senate Report</u>	
1. The Committee directed that \$2,000,000 be used for professional education in the diagnosis and treatment of emphysema, chronic bronchitis and other pulmonary diseases which are closely related to disorders of the heart and circulatory system. (Pages 49 and 50 of Senate Report).	1. See remarks below.
<u>1968 Conference Report</u>	
1. Amendment No. 31 states "It will be expected that the activities for which the Senate increase for 'Chronic diseases' was earmarked be performed under the appropriation 'Regional Medical Programs' to the maximum extent determined to be feasible by the National Institutes of Health". (Page 7 of Conference Report)	1. The Division staff is negotiating with Regional Medical Programs to implement programs under each of the categories of coronary care units in small hospitals, control of hypertension, community programs for stroke detection and treatment, and pediatric pulmonary centers. Also under negotiation are plans to implement programs of professional education in the diagnosis and treatment of emphysema, chronic bronchitis and other pulmonary diseases. The intent of Congress will have been carried out by the award of grants for these purposes to several regions by June 1968. All such awards will be funded only after appropriate review and approval by the National Advisory Council on Regional Medical Programs.

Authorizing Legislation

Legislation

1969 Authorization

Public Health Service Act

Title IX, Education, Research, Training, and
Demonstrations in the Fields of Heart Disease,
Cancer, Stroke and Related Diseases.....

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1/ Authorization expires in FY 1968. Extension of the authorization has
been requested in the Surgeon General's Report to the President and
Congress, dated June, 1967.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT

The Public Health Service Act, Title IX, Education, Research, Training, and
Demonstrations in the Fields of Heart Disease, Cancer, Stroke and Related
Diseases,

Sec. 900. The purposes of this title are--

"(a) Through grants, to encourage and assist in the establishment of regional
cooperative arrangements among medical schools, research institutions, and
hospitals for research and training (including continuing education) and
for related demonstrations of patient care in the fields of heart disease,
cancer, stroke, and related diseases;

"(b) To afford to the medical profession and the medical institutions of
the Nation, through such cooperative arrangements, the opportunity of making
available to their patients the latest advances in the diagnosis and treatment
of these diseases; and

"(c) By these means, to improve generally the health manpower and facilities
available to the Nation, and to accomplish these ends without interfering
with the patterns, or the methods of financing, of patient care or professional
practice, or with the administration of hospitals, and in cooperation with
practicing physicians, medical center officials, hospital administrators,
and representatives from appropriate voluntary health agencies.

Sec. 901. (a) There are authorized to be appropriated \$50,000,000 for
the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, \$90,000,000 for the fiscal year ending
June 30, 1967, and \$200,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, for
grants to assist public or nonprofit private universities, medical schools,
research institutions, and other public or nonprofit private institutions
and agencies in planning, in conducting feasibility studies, and in operating
pilot projects for the establishment of regional medical programs of research,
training, and demonstration activities for carrying out the purposes of this
title. Sums appropriated under this section for any fiscal year shall remain
available for making such grants until the end of the fiscal year following
the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made."

Regional Medical Programs

<u>Year</u>	<u>Budget Estimate to Congress</u>	<u>House Allowance</u>	<u>Senate Allowance</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
1966	\$25,000,000	N.C.	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000
1967	\$45,024,000	\$45,004,000	\$45,004,000	\$45,004,000
1968	\$64,314,000	\$54,314,000	\$64,314,000	\$58,814,000
1969	\$68,922,000			

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<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimate to Bureau of Budget</u>	<u>Budget Estimate to Congress</u>	<u>House Allowance</u>	<u>Senate Allowance</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
1966	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000	N.C.	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000
1967	\$92,047,000	\$45,024,000	\$45,004,000	\$45,004,000	\$45,004,000
1968	\$140,600,000	\$64,314,000	\$54,314,000	\$64,314,000	\$58,814,000
1969	\$91,131,000	\$68,922,000			

Justification

Regional Medical Programs

	1968 Estimate		1969 Estimate		Increase or Decrease	
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount
Personnel compensation and benefits.....	* ¹⁴³ 145	\$1,546,000	¹⁹⁶ 198	\$2,082,000	+53	+\$536,000
Other expenses.....	...	52,240,338	...	97,740,000	...	+45,499,662
Total.....	145 ¹⁴³	53,786,338	¹⁹⁶ 198	99,822,000	+53	+46,035,662

General Statement

The Regional Medical Programs seek to assist the Nation's health institutions and professions in capitalizing on the rapid advances of scientific medicine in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation of patients with heart disease, cancer, stroke or related diseases. The authorizing legislation asserts the grants are to assist in establishing regional cooperative arrangements among medical schools, research institutes, hospitals and other health institutions and agencies so that the health professions and their medical institutions will have available the latest advances in diagnosing and treating these diseases. Grant funds will support cooperative arrangements for research, training (including continuing medical education), improvement of patient care as well as the health manpower and health facilities of the Nation.

The budget request for 1969 of \$99,822,000 is an increase of \$46,035,662 over the funds available in 1968. This increase is to be used primarily for the support of additional operational grants and for continued support of the on-going activities in the 54 regions.

* Two positions transferred to OS, Division of Grant Administration Policy.