



## President's Budget Request Fact Sheet

On February 2, 2004, President George W. Bush presented the fiscal year (FY) 2005 Budget Request to Congress. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) requested a total funding level of \$6.9 billion. The FY 2005 budget request reflects CDC's guiding imperatives of science, service, systems, strategy, and security in a strong endorsement of the agency's commitment to promoting and protecting the health and safety of all Americans.

CDC will also be guided by a strategic planning process known as the **FUTURES INITIATIVE**. This outside-in approach of gathering information on who we are and how we do business and seeking input on future plans will help CDC chart its direction and determine how well we are succeeding in our mission to protect and improve the health of the American people.

**BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES** requested a total of \$81.5 million to continue CDC's plan to upgrade its aging facilities. The President's Request includes partial funding for the East Campus Consolidated Lab Project. Construction includes a new 454,000 square foot lab tower with an insectary and lab services support area housing approximately 281 infectious and parasitic diseases research personnel. The Request also includes funding that will complete the Ft. Collins, Colorado Laboratory initiative to replace antiquated, overcrowded laboratories and modernize the central utility plant. The Request also provides for the costs of operating and maintaining CDC's new and existing facilities.

**BIRTH DEFECTS AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES** requested \$113 million. The funding will continue to sustain core prevention and research programs in birth defects, developmental disabilities, early childhood development, and the promotion of health and well-being among people with disabilities.

**CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION** requested \$915 million. This funding will enable CDC to continue its mission to prevent chronic diseases in several areas including diabetes; cancer; nutrition; physical activity; heart disease; tobacco; arthritis; epilepsy; and glaucoma. Funding was also included to continue CDC's VERB Campaign

((\$5 million) that aims to promote physical activity in children aged 9 to 13 years. Increased funding (+ \$81 million) was provided to expand HHS' *Steps to a HealthierUS* initiative to communities targeting diabetes, obesity, and asthma. The National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program also received an increase in funding (+ \$10 million).

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH** requested \$184 million. Funding will support the development and implementation of a nationwide health tracking network. Other resources will sustain CDC's Environmental Health Laboratory, which assesses exposure of the U.S. population to environmental chemicals. Also included are continued funds for asthma control and prevention of childhood lead poisoning.

**EPIDEMIC SERVICES AND RESPONSE** requested \$92 million. Recent global outbreaks have shown the importance of rapid response, knowledge, and training to adequately respond to an infectious disease outbreak or event—FY 2005 base funding is included for global disease detection activities such as training staff; conducting surveillance, response, and research activities; providing technical assistance during outbreaks; and developing relationships with international partners and governments. CDC will continue to coordinate public health surveillance (e.g., Notifiable Disease Surveillance System), communications (e.g., *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*), and training (e.g., Epidemic Intelligence Service) both domestically and internationally.

**HEALTH STATISTICS** requested \$150 million to maintain and transform the core capacities of the National Center for Health Statistics. This new investment will position critical health surveys to meet new challenges. Increased funding will preserve and modernize the nation's vital statistics system; sustain and transform basic operations of the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey; maintain and redesign systems for tracking the health care delivery system; and, restore the full sample size and redesign the sample for the National Health Interview Survey.

**HIV/AIDS, STD, AND TB PREVENTION** requested \$1.1 billion. The budget request includes support for domestic HIV/AIDS programs (including a total

of \$103 million for the Minority AIDS Initiative), continued funding for syphilis elimination and prevention of other sexually transmitted diseases, and resources for efforts to eliminate tuberculosis in the United States. The President's International Prevention of Mother-to-Child HIV Transmission Initiative is scheduled to be transferred to the Department of State in FY 2005.

**THE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM** requested \$534 million to support CDC's ongoing leadership efforts to reduce disability and death resulting from vaccine-preventable diseases. The funding includes a total of \$151 million for global immunization activities, including support for eradication efforts in remaining polio and measles endemic countries. Continued funding is also provided for the National Immunization Survey. Funding in FY 2005 reflects a legislative proposal that would increase the access points where underinsured children, defined as children whose insurance does not cover the cost of immunizations, can receive vaccines through the mandatory Vaccines for Children Program.

**INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL** requested \$401 million to improve the nation's ability to target, control, and prevent outbreaks of infectious disease both in the United States and abroad. An increase of \$2 million will expand state-based programs for West Nile virus detection and control. Increases for response to global emerging infectious disease threats are also included.

**INJURY PREVENTION** requested \$154 million, which will continue CDC's support of injury research and efforts to encourage the widespread adoption of state and local programs, policies, and practices that are successful in reducing injuries and adverse outcomes from injuries, including death. Funding will support efforts including the implementation of the National Violent Death Reporting System, the traumatic brain injury program, and child maltreatment prevention activities. CDC funds will continue to support Injury Control Research Centers.

**OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH** requested \$279 million to enable CDC to fund research, tracking, and prevention programs to improve the nation's ability to identify and prevent work-related illnesses and injuries. Resources will continue to support

the National Personal Protective Technologies Laboratory, the Education and Research Centers and additional research activities within the National Occupational Research Agenda.

**PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT** requested \$113 million. Funding will enable CDC to continue to strengthen the practice of public health at the state and community level by creating an effective workforce and ensuring laboratory quality. CDC will be able to continue its applied health protection research activities designed to attract and develop researchers interested in addressing the growing needs of public health, including emerging health concerns and terrorism issues, with a funding level of \$15 million.

CDC's **TERRORISM** program requested \$1.1 billion from the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund to continue efforts related to terrorism preparedness and emergency response. Funding will enable CDC to take part in the cross-agency Biosurveillance initiative (\$130 million) that will help prepare the United States by enhancing early detection and surveillance to be able to quickly assess and respond to a potential bioterrorist attack. Also included is \$829 million to continue funding state and local terrorism capacity-building activities, \$142 million for internal CDC terrorism preparedness and response activities, and \$8 million to support completion of a seven-year research program on the current anthrax vaccine.

#### **FY 2005 ATSDR President's Budget Request**

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) requested \$77 million, a program increase of \$3 million over FY 2004. Funding will allow ATSDR to continue to determine human health effects associated with toxic exposures, prevent continued exposures, and mitigate human health risks over time. The increased funding will enable ATSDR to begin conducting pilot studies to identify and assess the potential health effects in former vermiculite processing workers likely to have been exposed to elevated levels of asbestos and support the World Trade Center Health Registry.

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*CDC protects people's health and safety by preventing and controlling diseases and injuries; enhances health decisions by providing credible information on critical health issues; and promotes healthy living through strong partnerships with local, national and international organizations.*