

# CONGRESSMAN JOHN CULBERSON

*“Congressman John Culberson is a strong supporter of federal initiatives to advance M. D. Anderson’s mission to eliminate cancer. He has been a leader in providing federal research funding for the Alliance for Nanohealth, a collaborative research program in the Texas Medical Center supporting the design of some of the most advanced and effective techniques for cancer treatment.”*

– Dr. John Mendelsohn,  
President of M. D. Anderson

*“Congressman Culberson, whose district includes the institutions of the Texas Medical Center, has shown an outstanding ability to understand complex research projects and the direct impact of that research on the people of his district – their health, their quality of life, and their economy. The Congressman’s leadership has fostered a collaborative atmosphere between the local research institutions, especially his work with the Alliance for NanoHealth, an eight institution collaboration based in the Texas Medical Center that is making great strides to use nanotechnology to improve health care.*

*“Congressman Culberson’s position on the House Appropriations Committee puts him in the perfect place to help the Texas Medical Center, especially The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, and his ability to find the resources to make our research possible is remarkable. Thanks to his tireless efforts in support of biomedical research we will save lives, further enhance the research capabilities of the Texas Medical Center, and offer commercialization opportunities to Houston businesses.”*

– Dr. James T. Willerson, President,  
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston



Congressman John Culberson speaking at the Harris County Hospital District about the importance of medical research.



Congressman John Culberson was a lead co-author of the legislation awarding a Congressional Gold Medal to Dr. Michael DeBakey, Chancellor Emeritus of the Baylor College of Medicine.

## CONGRESSMAN JOHN CULBERSON WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If there is anything John Culberson can do to better assist you or your family, please feel free to contact him at the Houston or Washington offices.

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# OUR LIVES ARE A JUGGLING ACT...



## Shouldn't Our Family's Health Bring Us PEACE OF MIND?

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## BRINGING QUALITY HEALTH CARE TO TEXAS FAMILIES.

We are fortunate to have the finest doctors, researchers, and hospitals in the world at the Texas Medical Center. As a member of the House Appropriations Committee, my job is to protect taxpayers against unnecessary spending, while ensuring that our scientist and doctors have the resources they need to treat and cure diseases such as cancer and juvenile diabetes. Over the long term, the innovative research being done at the Medical Center is the most effective way to bring down the rising cost of health care.

I am especially passionate about the work of the Alliance for NanoHealth, the first collaborative research effort among Medical Center institutions: University of Texas Health Science Center, MD Anderson, Baylor College of Medicine, Methodist, Rice University, UTMB, University of Houston, and Texas A&M Health Science Center/Institute for Biotechnology. Their work has led to successful clinical trials on the treatment of soft-tissue cancers, such as breast cancer. I have secured over \$12 million for the Alliance, and I am confident that their cutting edge work will one day lead to the identification and cure of genetic diseases.

*“To help balance the federal budget, I have rejected \$1.15 billion of project requests because they failed to meet my rigorous criteria, and I have voted against \$225 billion of new spending during this Congress.”*

– John Culberson



Congressman John Culberson and Dr. Mauro Ferrari, President of the Alliance for NanoHealth, discussing the Alliance's latest research.



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is fighting to make health care a reality for all families.

My goal is to give you and your family the financial freedom and security to manage your own health care with no interference from the federal government. I will vigorously oppose any government-run, national health care system because it will drive up costs and stifle the innovative research being done at our legendary Texas Medical Center institutions. I am committed to:

- Doubling our nation's investment in medical research at the National Institute of Health and the National Science Foundation.
- Expanding the tax deductibility of health insurance premiums.
- Allowing businesses to pool their resources to help their employees buy insurance coverage and expand health savings accounts.

*“As a former diabetes educator and the mother of a child with juvenile diabetes, I have found that John has demonstrated keen interest and knowledgeable attention of diabetes issues. When the reauthorization of the Special Diabetes Program representing 35% of type 1 diabetes research was in jeopardy, the Congressman was a vocal supporter of the Program at critical times. His consistent support in finding a cure for diabetes and its complications are most highly valued.”*

– Melinda Rose,  
Juvenile Diabetes Grassroots Volunteer  
(Mother of a juvenile diabetes patient)

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Investing in medical and scientific research is an essential function of the federal government. I apply rigorous standards of fiscal responsibility to every spending request I receive. My starting answer is always “no” ... and a “yes” is very hard to earn. Here are several important projects for Houston medical institutions that I was proud to win funding for:

- \$12.9 million total for the Alliance for NanoHealth.
- \$860,000 for the Harris County Hospital District for the renovation and expansion of Ben Taub's emergency room.
- \$750,000 for Methodist Hospital to purchase two linear accelerators (used to treat cancer patients) lost in Tropical Storm Allison.
- \$750,000 for Baylor College of Medicine for renovation of the comprehensive cancer center damaged in Tropical Storm Allison.
- \$700,000 for Texas Children's Hospital to expand their pediatric cardiovascular operation room.
- \$365,000 for the Methodist Hospital to purchase a mass spectrometer for cancer and health research.
- \$365,000 to Rice University for the Collaborative Research Center, which will allow researchers and doctors at the Texas Medical Center to work together to find ground-breaking solutions to today's health care problems.
- \$243,000 for the Harris County Hospital District for 16 cardiac monitors with a centralized monitoring unit, allowing LBJ Hospital to meet the current demands for better quality care.
- \$195,000 for The Institute for Research and Rehabilitation for the purchase of urodynamics equipment and microbiology and laboratory software.
- \$195,000 for the Memorial Hermann Health System for construction and equipment to build neighborhood health care centers.