

### House Labor-HHS Fiscal Year 2023 Funding Provisions Relating to Senior Living

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Committee Requested \$</b>	<b>Actual Funding and Change from 2022</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>Home and Community-Based Supportive Services</i>	N/A	\$450,000,000 with an increase of \$51,426,000	This program provides formula grants to States and territories to fund a wide range of social services that enable seniors to remain independent in their homes for as long as possible.
<i>Preventive Health Services</i>	\$26,339,000	\$27,500,000 with an increase of \$2,652,000	This program funds activities that help seniors remain healthy and avoid chronic diseases. Funding supports a variety of healthy aging programs aimed to reduce disease and prevent injuries.
<i>Protection of Vulnerable Older Americans</i>	\$41,944,000	\$41,944,000 with an increase of \$17,286,000	These programs provide grants to States for protection of vulnerable older Americans through the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and Prevention of Elder Abuse and Neglect programs.
<i>Congregate and Home-Delivered Nutrition Services</i>	N/A	\$1,260,069,000 2022 Info N/A	These programs help older Americans remain healthy and independent in their communities by providing meals and related services in a variety of settings (including congregate facilities such as senior centers) and via home-delivery to older adults who are homebound due to illness, disability, or geographic isolation.
<i>Care Corps</i>	N/A	\$5,500,000 2022 Info N/A	This program increases seniors' access to non-emergency medical services by offering transportation with trained volunteers to serve as aides and advocates for those with accessibility challenges

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<i>Senior Medicare Patrol</i>	N/A	\$35,000,000 2022 Info N/A	Senior Medicare Patrols (SMPs) empower and assist Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers to prevent, detect, and report health care fraud, errors, and abuse through outreach, counseling, and education.
<i>Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Grants to States</i>	\$3,019,102,000	\$3,135,332,000 with an increase of \$256,000,000	WIOA is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy.
<i>Direct Care Workforce Demonstration</i>	N/A	\$3,000,000 2020 Info N/A, Funding for future test program	This is a test program to reduce barriers to entry for a diverse and high-quality direct care workforce, including providing wages, benefits, and advancement opportunities needed to attract or retain direct care workers.
<i>Apprenticeship Grants</i>	\$303,000,000	\$303,000,000 with an increase of \$68,000,000	This program expands work-based learning programs in in-demand industries through registered apprenticeships.
<i>Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP)</i>	\$46,537,000	\$48,245,000 with an increase of \$3,000,000	This program supports training to integrate geriatrics into primary care delivery and develops academic primary care-community based partnerships to address gaps in health care for older adults.

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<i>Nursing Workforce Development</i>	\$294,972,000	\$324,472,000 with an increase of \$44,000,000	This provides more funding for Nursing Workforce Development programs, programs that address all aspects of nursing workforce demand, including education, practice, retention, and recruitment.
<i>National Senior Volunteer Corps</i>	\$245,145,000	\$245,145,000 with an increase of \$14,377,000	Senior Corps is a collection of programs that connect individuals older than the age of 55 with opportunities to contribute their job skills and expertise to community projects and organizations.
<i>Alzheimer's Disease, Building Our Largest Dementia (BOLD) Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Act Funding</i>	N/A	\$5,000,000 increase to BOLD funding	The activities outlined in BOLD are designed to create a uniform national public health infrastructure with a focus on issues such as increasing early detection and diagnosis, risk reduction, prevention of avoidable hospitalizations, and supporting dementia caregiving.
<i>Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD)</i>	N/A	\$200,000,000 increase to ADRD research	Funding for the NIA to continue addressing the research targets outlined in the fiscal year 2023 Professional Judgment Budget.
<i>Alzheimer's Disease Program</i>	\$30,060,000	\$30,060,000 with an increase of \$560,000	This program provides competitive matching grants to a limited number of States to encourage program innovation and coordination of public and private services for people with Alzheimer's disease and their families.
<i>Personal Protective Technologies</i>	N/A	\$2,000,000 increase to PPE research	Funding for NIOSH to enhance efforts regarding personal protective technologies in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to protect workers every day.

## **ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES PROGRAMS**

### *Home and Community-Based Supportive Services*

- The Committee recommends \$450,000,000 for Home and Community-Based Supportive Services, which is \$51,426,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level. This program provides formula grants to States and territories to fund a wide range of social services that enable seniors to remain independent in their homes for as long as possible.

### *Preventive Health Services*

- The Committee recommends \$27,500,000 for Preventive Health Services, which is \$2,652,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and \$1,161,000 above the fiscal year 2023 budget request. This program funds activities that help seniors remain healthy and avoid chronic diseases. Funding supports a variety of healthy aging programs aimed to reduce disease and prevent injuries, including evidence-based programs to address the risk of falls, chronic diseases, mental health, and medication management.

### *Protection of Vulnerable Older Americans*

- The Committee recommends \$41,944,000 for activities to protect vulnerable older Americans, which is \$17,286,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and equal to the fiscal year 2023 budget request. These programs provide grants to States for protection of vulnerable older Americans through the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and Prevention of Elder Abuse and Neglect programs. Within the recommendation, the Committee provides a \$17,000,000 increase to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program.

### *Congregate and Home-Delivered Nutrition Services*

- The Committee recommends a total of \$1,260,069,000 for senior nutrition. The recommendation includes: \$700,000,000 for Congregate Nutrition Services; \$400,000,000 for Home-Delivered Meal Services; and \$160,069,000 for the Nutrition Services Incentives program. These programs help older Americans remain healthy and independent in their communities by providing meals and related services in a variety of settings (including congregate facilities such as senior centers) and via home-delivery to older adults who are homebound due to illness, disability, or geographic isolation.

### *Care Corps*

- The recommendation includes \$5,500,000 for the Care Corps program. The Committee recognizes the success of local programs that are increasing seniors' access to non-emergency medical services by offering transportation with trained volunteers to serve as aides and advocates for those with accessibility challenges, and includes a \$1,500,000 increase for ACL to award grants to programs capable of building a network of screened and trained volunteer chaperones to accompany older adults and adults with disabilities in need to and from non-emergency medical appointments and outpatient procedures.

## **HEALTH CARE FRAUD AND ABUSE CONTROL ACCOUNT**

### *Senior Medicare Patrol*

- The Committee includes \$35,000,000 for the Senior Medicare Patrol program. The Committee continues to include modified bill language to enable the Secretary to fund the Senior Medicare Patrol program, which is administered by the Administration for Community Living, from either discretionary or mandatory funds provided to this account.

## **EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING**

- The Committee recommendation includes needed investments in workforce and training systems. Specifically, the recommendation includes \$3,135,332,000 for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Grants to States, an increase of \$256,000,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and \$116,230,000 above the fiscal year 2023 budget request. In addition, the recommendation includes \$303,000,000 for registered apprenticeships, an increase of \$68,000,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and the same as the fiscal year 2023 budget request.

### *Direct Care Workforce Demonstration*

- The Committee provides \$3,000,000 for a Direct Care Workforce Demonstration project, to reduce barriers to entry for a diverse and high-quality direct care workforce, including providing wages, benefits, and advancement opportunities needed to attract or retain direct care workers.

### *Apprenticeship Grants*

- The Committee recommends \$303,000,000 for the apprenticeship grants program, which is \$68,000,000 more than the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and the same as the fiscal year 2023 budget request. The Committee established this program in 2016 to expand work-based learning programs in in-demand industries through registered apprenticeships. Registered apprenticeships are a proven strategy for meeting the needs of our nation's workforce and industry simultaneously.

### *Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP)*

- The Committee includes \$48,245,000 for the GWEP program, \$3,000,000 above the fiscal year 2022 level and \$1,708,000 above the fiscal year 2023 budget request. This program supports training to integrate geriatrics into primary care delivery and develops academic primary care-community based partnerships to address gaps in health care for older adults.

### *Nursing Workforce Development*

- The Committee recommends \$324,472,000 for Nursing Workforce Development programs authorized under title VIII of the PHS Act, \$44,000,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and \$29,500,000 above the fiscal year 2023 budget request.

### *Registered Nursing Shortages*

- The Committee is concerned about current and projected shortages of registered nurses in the U.S. as discussed in the HRSA publication *Supply and Demand Projections of the Nursing Workforce 2014–2030*. The Committee encourages HRSA to prioritize

investments to increase the supply of registered nurses particularly in states with the greatest projected shortages.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

### *National Senior Volunteer Corps*

- The Committee recommends \$245,145,000 for the National Senior Volunteer Corps programs, an increase of \$14,377,000 over the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and the same as the fiscal year 2023 budget request. Senior Corps is a collection of programs that connect individuals older than the age of 55 with opportunities to contribute their job skills and expertise to community projects and organizations.

## **ALHIEMZERS**

### *Alzheimer's Disease*

- The Committee includes an increase of \$5,000,000 to support provisions enacted in the Building Our Largest Dementia (BOLD) Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Act (P.L. 115–406), including the implementation of the Road Map Series, expanding the number of Centers of Excellence, and building a robust Alzheimer's and other dementias public health infrastructure across the country.

### *Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD)*

- The Committee recommends an increase of \$200,000,000 for ADRD research. The Committee encourages NIA to continue addressing the research targets outlined in the fiscal year 2023 Professional Judgment Budget. The Committee encourages NIA to take the necessary steps to ensure that NIH-sponsored clinical trials take into account racial and ethnic diversity and the impact of Alzheimer's disease on underserved populations. In addition, with various treatments for Alzheimer's disease in the pipeline, the Committee encourages NIA to support a wide range of trials, including those with a patient-based national registry of regulatory grade, longitudinal evidence for patients receiving any FDA-approved disease modifying therapies for Alzheimer's disease in real-world clinical practice.

### *Alzheimer's Disease Program*

- The Committee recommends \$30,060,000 for the Alzheimer's disease program, which is \$560,000 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and equal to the fiscal year 2023 budget request. This program provides competitive matching grants to a limited number of States to encourage program innovation and coordination of public and private services for people with Alzheimer's disease and their families. The recommendation includes \$2,000,000 for the National Alzheimer's Call Center.

## **COVID AND PPE**

### *Personal Protective Technologies*

- The Committee includes an increase of \$2,000,000 to enhance efforts regarding personal protective technologies in response to the COVID–19 pandemic and to protect workers every day.

### *Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly*

- The Committee notes during the COVID–19 pandemic, Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) have been effective in keeping their medically complex, nursing home eligible population safe at home. PACE organizations furnish all Medicare and Medicaid covered services, long term care and supports, meals and other services as needed by participants, principally in participants homes. PACE participants have had one-third the COVID–19 cases and deaths as compared to the rates of nursing home residents. The Committee urges CMS to consider moving forward on PACE-specific pilots in fiscal year 2023, so this community-based model of care may be evaluated as to whether it increases access and affordability for Medicare or Medicaid beneficiaries.

## REPORT LANGUAGE

*Addressing Workforce Shortages.*—The Committee supports HRSA’s efforts to develop the workforce needed to care for a rapidly aging U.S. population. The Committee encourages HRSA to address the skilled care workforce needs of seniors through existing workforce education and training programs.