

American Academy of Family Physicians

Federal Funding Priorities in HHS FY 2019 Appropriations package (HR 6157, PL 115-245)

Agency/Program	Chief Interest Area	Funding Status in HR 6157/Threats
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Research • U.S. Preventative Services Task Force 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AHRQ increased by \$4 million over FY18 to \$338 million in FY19. • Increase aimed to increase diagnostic safety and quality and identify and support trends in chronic disease management. • Trump Administration proposed replacing would fund NIRSQ with PCORTF \$124 million & \$256 million in BA. • AHRQ relies on the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund which expires at the end of FY19.
PCORI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expires at the end of FY19
Health Resources & Services Administration – Health Professions Training Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title VII, §747 Primary Care Training & Enhancement grants • Title VII diversity/AHEC HCOP/COE, faculty loan repayment, scholarships for disadvantaged students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title VII §747 level funded at \$48.924 million in FY19. • Title VII Training for Diversity level funded at \$88.06 million. • Title VII Interdisciplinary Community Linkages increased by \$1 million for Area Health Education Centers to \$191.9 million total. • House authorizing bill to reauthorize Title VII §747 would cap it at current level of \$48.9 million down from \$125 million authorization in ACA.
HRSA - National Health Service Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHSC scholarships, medical student loan repayment and increases access to primary care in severe HPSAs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBA18, PL115-123 level-funded NHSC at \$310 million for two years. • Until FY09 it was funded by discretionary appropriations, but since then it relies on time-limited, mandatory appropriations and faces regular funding cliffs.
HRSA – Office of Rural Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for Rural Health Programs including Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants, Rural Opioid Overdose Reversal Grant Program, Telehealth etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural Health increased to \$318 million by \$27 million above FY18.
HRSA-Title X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants to clinics which offer comprehensive family planning and preventive health services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Planning level-funded at \$286.5 million.
CMS – program management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare & Medicaid program management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Management level funded at \$3.7 billion.
Centers for Disease Control & Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for CDC prevention and public health activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDC is funded at \$7.89 billion or \$127 billion above the comparable FY18 level. • CDC relies on the Prevention & Public Health Fund which is being cut and used for offsets.
CDC-Chronic Disease Prevention & Health Promotion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting health and well-being through prevention and control of chronic diseases. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic Disease Prevention is funded at \$932.8 million, an increase of \$17.5 million from FY18.
CDC Gun Violence Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public health research into firearm morbidity and mortality prevention. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not included in FY19 bill.
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAMHSA funded at \$5.7 billion, increase of \$584 million from FY18.