



**NATIONAL PROGRAM OF CANCER REGISTRIES
FY 2015 APPROPRIATIONS FACT SHEET
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

FY 2014	President's 2015 Budget	FY 2015 Suggested
\$49,440,000	\$46,103	\$65,000,000

Additional funding is needed to support states and territories to enhance the overall quality and completeness of registry data, to improve their ability to use registry data to report on cancer trends and monitor program impact and to respond to public inquiries and concerns regarding cancer occurrence. With these additional resources, CDC would increase support to state registries to improve capacity for using cancer data to develop and evaluate interventions, conduct special data linkages, increase use of electronic data reporting and support more patterns of care and treatment quality studies. In addition, these funds could enable states to improve speed of reporting; increase the scope of data collected, including more detailed treatment data; and increase the use of electronic health records (EHRs). Enhanced use of EHRs will improve the timeliness, completeness and quality of cancer data reported from non-hospital facilities and increase public health programs' ability to plan and target health care interventions designed to reduce cancer incidence or improve early detection.

Basic Facts About Cancer

- Cancer surveillance, an indispensable tool, enables public health professionals to track and respond to the cancer burden at the local, state and national levels.
- Cancer kills more Americans under age 85 than does heart disease. One of every four deaths in the U.S. is from cancer.
- The overall estimated medical cost of cancer in the U.S. for 2008 was \$228 billion and continues to rise.

CDC's National Program of Cancer Registries

The National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) is the backbone of CDC's cancer prevention and control programs. State-based cancer registries are data systems designed to gather, manage and analyze data about incidence, stage at diagnosis and treatment. This information is used to guide planning and evaluation of cancer control programs; help allocate health resources; contribute to clinical, epidemiologic and health services research; and respond to citizen concerns over the presence of cancer in their communities. The CDC's NPCR currently supports 45 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Affiliated Pacific Island Nations. CDC and the National Cancer Institute jointly produce official federal cancer statistics annually in the *U.S. Cancer Statistics: Incidence and Mortality* report. CDC provides training to states in data collection, analysis and interpretation, as well as providing assistance in assurance of data efficiency and efficacy. Complete and accurate data strengthens local cancer programs; provides understanding of national trends, cancer burden in special populations and regional variations in cancer; and provides new insights into rare childhood cancers, brain tumors and others.

***For more information visit, <http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/npcr>**

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