

President's FY21 Budget Request Includes Increase for Vector-Borne Diseases

The White House released the Fiscal Year 2021 budget proposal which includes a \$14 million increase compared to the 2020 enacted level that focuses on tick-borne diseases.



Excerpts from *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2021*:

- **“Prioritizes Critical Health Research and Supports Innovation”** ... “NIH would continue to address the opioid epidemic and emerging stimulants, make progress on developing a universal flu vaccine, **prioritize vector-borne disease research**, and support industries of the future.”
- **“Advances Vector-Borne Disease Prevention and Control.** The threat of mosquito and tickborne diseases continues to rise in the United States. Cases of tick-borne diseases, such as Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever, affected nearly 60,000 Americans in 2017. The Budget includes \$66 million for CDC’s vector-borne disease activities, a \$14 million increase compared to the 2020 enacted level which focuses on tick-borne

diseases. The Budget also invests in NIH research to improve the Nation's understanding of vector-borne diseases.”

The White House also released a fact sheet titled *Protecting our Nation's Health and Wellness* reinforcing the prioritization of critical health research and advances in vector-borne disease prevention and control. Congress will review and vote on the budget proposal within the coming weeks.

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