

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

April 22, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, Education
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Tom Cole
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, Education
House of Representatives
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Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Cole:

As you consider appropriations for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, we write to request the inclusion of \$6 million in dedicated funding to support the *Chronic Disease Education and Awareness Program* within the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

This program is a top priority for the chronic disease and public health stakeholder community. This innovative mechanism of support will facilitate partnerships targeted at addressing emerging and ongoing areas of national concern. The progression and severity of many chronic diseases can be mitigated with proper education, physician information, and related public health initiatives. The *Chronic Disease Education and Awareness Program* will allow leading public health experts at CDC to review competitive proposals and direct resources to high-impact areas in a flexible and accountable fashion.

We thank you both for the support of the establishment of this program in FY 2021 as well as the continued support in FY 2022 and ask for continued support of meritorious efforts in condition areas that lack current line-item funding. Please support this program for FY 2023 to facilitate timely and impactful public health efforts with community stakeholders:

Program Request

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

Chronic Disease Education and Awareness

Chronic Disease Education and Awareness Program. —The Committee includes \$6 million for the CDC Chronic Disease Education and Awareness Program, an increase of \$3 million over FY 2022. The Committee recognizes CDC's leadership in implementing this program and awarding valuable and impactful cooperative agreements to stakeholders to improve professional and public awareness about chronic diseases not addressed by a specific CDC program. As program resources increase, CDC is encouraged to ensure that smaller partners and rare disease organizations have an opportunity to compete for cooperative agreements, and that CDC is able to simultaneously support condition-specific projects along with over-arching chronic disease projects addressing distinct public health activities.

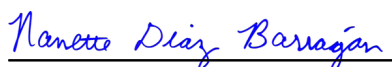
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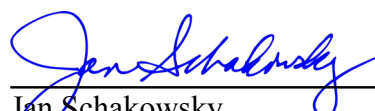
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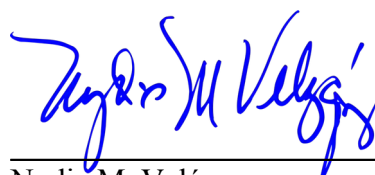
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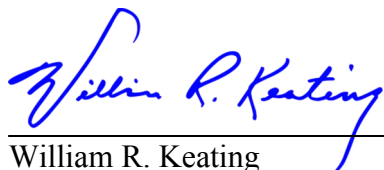
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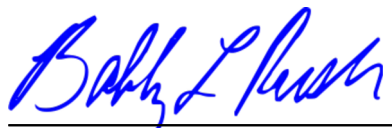
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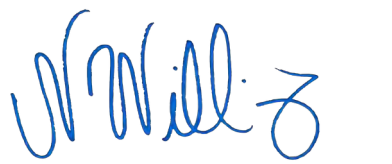
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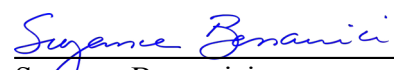
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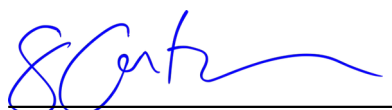
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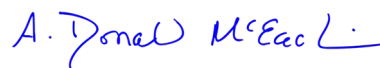
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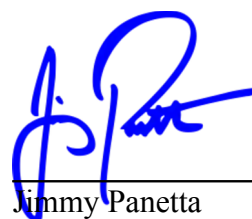
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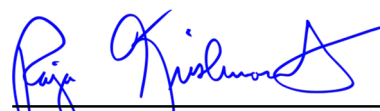
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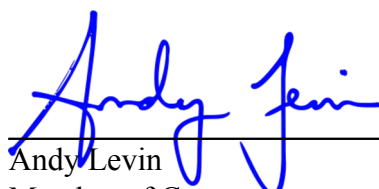
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