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Washington, D.C – The Coalition for Health Funding today issued the following statement on President Joe Biden's Fiscal Year 2024 budget request:

The Coalition for Health Funding supports funding and maintaining a strong public health and health research infrastructure in the United States. We are pleased to see that the President's fiscal year (FY) 2024 funding proposal bolsters nondefense discretionary funds by 6.5 percent and provides a much-needed increase for departments and agencies critical to Americans' health and wellbeing. We look forward to the release of additional details and budget justifications next week.

The funding recommendations outlined in the HHS budget proposal include \$144 billion in discretionary funding in FY 2024, which is an 11.5 percent overall funding increase from the enacted FY 2023 level. The Coalition for Health Funding and our member organizations are committed to working with Congress to ensure that robust investments in health funding are realized and implemented through the Fiscal Year 2024 appropriations process.

Public health affects every aspect of the continuum of care. This budget presents a step toward increased and sustained investment across all facets of public health, from basic science research to bedside care. Every agency within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has a unique mission to respond to our nation's health demands; they are all interconnected and each health agency—ACS, AHRQ, CDC, CMS, FDA, HRSA, HIS, NIH, and SAMHSA—should see sustained funding increases each year.

The Coalition for Health Funding is united in support of providing robust funding for all federal agencies and programs within HHS to help protect the health and prosperity of all Americans.

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The Coalition for Health Funding works to preserve public health investments in the interest of all Americans. Our <u>85 member organizations</u> together represent more than 100 million patients and consumers, health providers, professionals, and researchers.