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## **President's FY 17 Budget Request for FDA "Disappointing" and "Alarming"**

Silver Spring, MD---Under the President's FY 17 proposed budget request, the FDA would receive \$2.743 billion in budget authority appropriations, only \$15 million above what the agency received in FY 16. This is in contrast to the steady investments over the past years in FDA's critical public health work, including more than a \$100 million increase in the prior fiscal year.

"The Alliance for a Stronger FDA is disappointed by the Administration's FY 17 request for FDA," said Cynthia Bens, Alliance President and Vice President, Public Policy at the Alliance for Aging Research. "The budget request fails to acknowledge FDA's vital role in food and drug safety and innovative medical product development."

She added: "We urge the House and Senate Appropriations Committees to recognize that FDA is already responsible for products that represent about 20% of American consumer spending and is being asked to do more each year. To continue its record of achievement, the agency needs Congress to provide increased resources that are not included in the President's request."

Under the President's FY 17 budget request, FDA may receive an additional \$75 million as part of the cancer "moonshot" initiative. However, this would require additional authorizing legislation, as well as a budget "pay for."

"We are alarmed that the proposed budget will require FDA to choose among competing public health priorities, which is counter to the national interest and poorly serves the health and safety of the American people," said Troy Zimmerman, Alliance Vice President and Vice President for Government Relations at the National Kidney Foundation.

He added: "This budget provides no investment in FDA's core functions, even while additional funding is needed for food safety, precision medicine, drug compounding oversight, antibiotics development and other initiatives. The potential cancer funding increment would be welcome, but does not leave us any less concerned."

The Alliance for a Stronger FDA is comprised of more than 180 consumer, patient and research advocacy organizations, health professions societies, trade associations, companies and individuals. More information about the Alliance can be found at [www.StrengthenFDA.org](http://www.StrengthenFDA.org).

**Attachment:** Analysis of the President's Requested FY 17 Funding for FDA by Center and Compared to Prior Years



**FY 17 Budget Authority Appropriations for FDA**  
**Compared to FY 13-16**  
 (as of February 9, 2016, subject to further revision)  
**Not all numbers add due to rounding**

<b>Function</b>	<b>FY 13 Actual</b>	<b>FY 14 Final</b>	<b>FY15 Final</b>	<b>FY 16 Final</b>	<b>FY 17 President's Request 2/9/16</b>
Budget authority only, by center; no user fees	Post-rescission, post-sequester				
Food	\$ 797 million	\$ 883 million	\$ 903 million	\$ 987 million	<b>\$ 1.013 billion</b>
Human Drugs	\$ 438 million	\$ 466 million	\$ 482 million	\$ 492 million	<b>\$ 492 million</b>
Biologics	\$ 195 million	\$ 211 million	\$ 211 million	\$ 215 million	<b>\$ 215 million</b>
Animal Drugs/Feed	\$ 126 million	\$ 141 million	\$ 148 million	\$ 159 million	<b>\$ 162 million</b>
Devices & Radiological Health	\$ 296 million	\$ 321 million	\$ 321 million	\$ 323 million	<b>\$ 326 million</b>
Natl. Ctr. For Toxicological Research	\$ 55 million	\$ 62 million	\$ 63 million	\$ 63 million	<b>\$ 60 million</b>
HQ, Officer. of Commissioner & Other	\$ 160 million	\$ 172 million	\$ 175 million	\$ 183 million	<b>\$ 178 million</b>
Rent & Facilities Cost	\$ 268 million	\$ 294 million	\$ 285 million	\$ 298 million	<b>\$ 285 million</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL, Salaries &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2.335 billion</b>	<b>\$2.550 billion</b>	<b>\$2.588 billion</b>	<b>\$ 2.721 billion</b>	<b>\$ 2.731 billion</b>
Building and Facilities Repair	\$ 6 million	\$ 9 million	\$ 9 million	\$ 9 million	<b>\$ 12 million</b>
Supplementals	\$ 46 million (no year)	-----	-----	-----	<b>***</b>
<b>All BA Appropriations Total (no user fees)</b>	<b>\$ 2.387 billion</b>	<b>\$2.559 billion</b>	<b>\$ 2.597 billion</b>	<b>\$ 2.728 billion</b>	<b>\$ 2.743 billion</b>

**\*\*\* The Administration has proposed \$75 million for FDA in the cancer “moonshot” initiative and an unspecified amount for activities related to vaccines for the Zika virus. They are not embedded in the chart because they require authorizing legislation for FY 17 (cancer) or emergency supplemental legislation for FY 16 or 17 (Zika).**