Keeping the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Funded and Current: Funding Outlook

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Outline

• The Fiscal Environment
• President Obama’s FY2016 Request
• FY2016 Appropriations
• Future Domestic HIV/AIDS Funding
• HIV/AIDS Community Efforts
TOTAL SPENDING IN FY2014 - $3.5 TRILLION

- Social Security: 23%
- Medicare: 14%
- Medicaid: 9%
- Other Mandatory: 13%
- Non-defense discretionary: 17%
- Defense: 17%
- Interest: 7%

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation
Budget Control Act and Sequestration

- The Budget Control Act of 2011 (BCA) was enacted to cut the deficit by $2.4 trillion over 10 years
  - Discretionary spending caps of $917 billion in savings over 10 years
  - Created the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction (the Supercommittee) to find additional $1.2 trillion in cuts for same period
- Failed to agree on way forward, so automatic across-the-board cuts (sequestration) took effect in 2013 for discretionary and some mandatory programs
- BCA also sets discretionary budget caps through 2021
### Table 2.

Limits on Discretionary Budget Authority for Fiscal Years 2016 Through 2021

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Source: Congressional Budget Office.
Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013

• Also known as the Murray/Ryan Deal
• Provided sequester relief for fiscal years 2014 & 2015
• Allowed for an increase in funding in FY2014 over FY2013 levels (including for the Ryan White Program), but is not a long-term fix
• Murray/Ryan deal expires in September 30, 2015
• No replacement yet
President Obama’s FY2016 Budget Request

• The President’s budget asked for $4 trillion
  • Total of $530 billion for discretionary spending
  • $74 billion in additional sending above caps
• Domestic HIV received $25.3 billion
• Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program received a $4 million increase for a total of $2.323 billion. However...
President Obama’s FY2016 Budget Request continued...

- Proposes to **eliminate** dedicated funding for Part D of the Ryan White Program
- Would consolidate Parts C and D
- Proposed same elimination in FY2015
  - Congress rejected
- Part D funded programs are uniquely tailored to address the needs of women and adolescent girls
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FY2016 Appropriations

• The House and Senate are Republican controlled for the first time since President Obama took office

• For the first time in years, House and Senate Budget Committees agreed to a budget
  – Stuck with budget caps

• The Budget Committees are responsible for providing allocations for the Appropriations Committees.
  • The allocation for the Labor-HHS appropriations subcommittee is $3.7 billion below the FY2015 levels

• House and Senate Appropriations Committees passed all 12 of their spending bills
Ryan White Program Appropriations

• House Labor-HHS appropriations bill provides level funding for all parts of the program – totaling $2.319 billion
• Both the House and Senate ignore the President’s request to consolidate Parts C and D
• Senate bill **eliminates** funding for Part F - Special Programs of National Significance (SPNS)
• Apart from SPNS, level funding to other parts of the program
• Even with the implementation of ACA, Congress sees the continued importance of Ryan White Program
Ryan White SPNS Program

- SPNS program develops innovative service models for HIV care to respond to the needs of Ryan White Program clients

- Examples of current SPNS programs:
  - Increase HIV care in community health centers
  - Develop health information technology to improve the HIV care continuum
  - Develop culturally appropriate interventions to reach Latinos
  - Building medical homes for HIV positive homeless people
  - Enhance care for transgender women of color

- Community working to ensure Congress fully funds the SPNS program in final bill
Where Are We Now?

- The appropriations process now stalled
- Two bills will be used as basis for next steps
- Unclear what Congress will decide to do - must take action by September 30th
  - Short-term continuing resolution (CR)
  - Two short term CRs to get through the calendar year
  - Full year CR
- A budget deal that increases caps needed for additional funding
- FY2016 starts October 1
- FY2017 – unclear picture
As We Look to the Future

• Fiscal Year 2017 negotiations will start
  • OMB already drafting FY2017 requests
• Unclear what kind of budget deal will be enacted
• Continued need for education on the Ryan White Program especially in light of the ACA
What’s the Community Doing?

• The AIDS Budget and Appropriations Coalition (ABAC) advocates for adequate resources for domestic HIV/AIDS programs across the federal government

• Activities have included:
  • Congressional briefings in both the House and Senate (February 2015)
  • Multiple Hill visits with members of Appropriations and Budget Committees, and HIV/AIDS champions on the Hill
  • Sent community letters to the Administration and Congress
  • Will continue to meet with congressional offices to advocate lifting the caps and eliminating sequestration.
Number and Percentage of HIV-Infected Persons Engaged In Selected Stages of HIV Care, U.S.

- **Diagnosed:** 1,032,800 (86%)
- **Engaged in Care:** 478,433 (40%)
- **Prescribed ART:** 441,661 (37%)
- **Virally Suppressed:** 361,764 (30%)

HIV+ Ryan White Program Clients Who Received RW-Funded Medical Care

- 100% of 301,496 clients were seen for at least 1 medical care visit.
- 81% of 224,501 clients were retained in HIV medical care.
- 79% of 222,684 clients achieved viral suppression.

1 224,501 of 277,203 clients having two office visits at least 90 days apart before September 1 of reporting year
2 222,684 of 283,189 clients with at least one reported viral load test count below 200

Ryan White Program Services

- Health Education
- Treatment Adherence
- Risk Reduction
- Legal Medications
- Case Management
- Medical Care
- Premium/Cost Sharing Assistance
- Outreach
- Food Bank
- Referrals
- Transportation
- Medical Case Management
- Housing
- Psychosocial Support
- Mental Health
- Oral Health
- Substance Abuse Treatment
- Linguistics
Thank you!

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