



AMCHP Update on Budget – December 16, 2011

Late last night there was an apparent breakthrough to resolve the final spending levels for the 2012 Fiscal Year before expiration of the current continuing resolution tonight. A final 2012 Appropriations Bill providing funding for the Department of Health and Human Services is now available [here](#) and includes **\$646,319,000 for the Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, a \$10 million decrease from the fiscal year 2011 level of \$656 million** (see page 99 for MCHB funding table). While cuts are never good, this is potentially a much better result than earlier proposals that would have made deeper cuts.

It is important to note that this process is not yet final. Both the House and Senate still need to vote on this measure and the President needs to sign it into law. Those votes are expected later today, but again we caution that in this environment nothing is certain. Additionally, included in other legislation accompanying this report is the requirement for an across the board cut of approximately 2 percent. AMCHP staff is currently combing through the 1,000 plus page document and will provide further analysis and updates as available, and it appears that an end to the FY 2012 budget may be in sight.

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