



Hepatitis C Appropriations Partnership

Hepatitis C Appropriations Partnership Update
Annual Face-to-Face Meeting
Wednesday, March 17, 2010

HCAP Overview

- Mission
 - To increase federal leadership and support for viral hepatitis prevention, testing, education, research, medical management and treatment
- Partnership of over 50 organizations
 - National HBV, HCV and HIV organizations
 - Public health and provider associations
 - Patient advocacy organizations
 - Pharmaceutical, diagnostics and biotech industry
- Convened by NASTAD since 2004
- Supported development of grassroots network HCAU
- Over 200 organizations regularly sign on HCAP letters



2009-2010 Activities

- Congress
 - Appropriations on hepatitis B and C
 - Over 80 Hill visits this year to date
 - First-ever house-wide dear colleague funding letter: 35 signatures
 - Action alerts, community sign-on letters, House and Senate appropriations testimony, Member question submissions for hearings, report language
- Administration
 - First 100-days document, comments on federal agency strategic plans, comments on National HIV/AIDS Strategy and weighed in at community forums, ONAP relationship-building
- HHS Leadership
 - Hepatitis Interagency Workgroup engagement, other Agency relationship-building

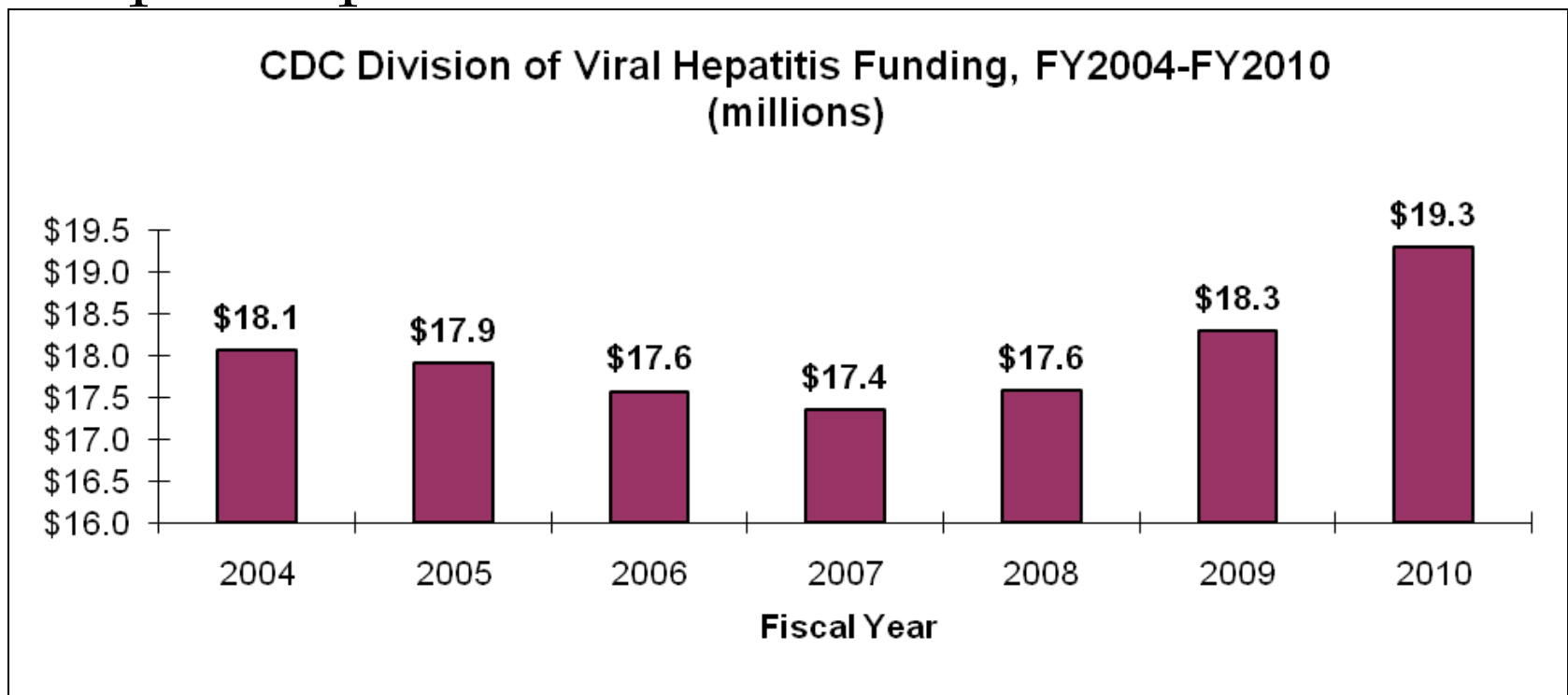


2009-2010 Activities

- In Partnership with Other Coalitions
 - World Hepatitis Day Presidential Proclamation, House and Senate Resolution and Capitol Hill Rally
 - Viral Hepatitis and Liver Cancer Prevention and Control Act of 2009 (HR 3974)
 - Information Exchange (on monthly calls and listserv)

2010 Priorities

- Ensure biggest possible increase to viral hepatitis prevention



2010 Priorities

- Increase relationships with Administration, Federal Agency partners and Congress, including Tri-Caucus
- In Partnership with Other Coalitions
 - World Hepatitis Day Resolutions and Proclamation with potential event, and HHS press release with potential event
 - Viral hepatitis hearing
 - Engage grassroots in key states
 - Work with federal partners on the implementation of the IOM report
 - Increase involvement of diverse populations in viral hepatitis advocacy
 - Authorization bills: HR 3974, CAHP Act



What Can We Do Better?

Discussion

Community Members

- AIDS Action
- Alert Health
- American Association for the Study of Liver Disease
- American Liver Foundation
- American Social Health Association
- Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO)
- Caring Ambassadors Hepatitis C Program
- Community AIDS National Network
- Harm Reduction Coalition
- Hep C Connection
- Hepatitis B Foundation
- Hepatitis C Advocate Network, Inc.
- Hepatitis C Association
- Hepatitis C Support Project/HCV Advocate
- Hepatitis Education Project
- HONORreform
- Missouri Hepatitis C Alliance
- National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors
- National Coalition of STD Directors
- National Hepatitis C Advocacy Council
- National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable
- Project Inform
- Spears Foundation
- Status C Unknown
- The AIDS Institute
- Treatment Action Group



Pharmaceutical Members

- Abbott
- BMS
- Genentech
- Gilead
- GSK
- Human Genome Sciences
- Merck
- Novartis
- OraSure
- Three Rivers
- Tibotec
- Vertex

Member Re-engagement

- ACLU National Prison Project
- American Academy of HIV Medicine
- American College of Gastroenterology
- American Gastroenterological Association
- Citywide Harm Reduction Program
- National Association of People Living with AIDS
- National Minority AIDS Council
- Treatment Access Expansion Project
- Valeant

Guest Speaker Preparation

- HHS Viral Hepatitis Priorities
 - Rosie Henson
- ONAP Perspective on Viral Hepatitis Policy
 - James Albino
- CDC Perspective on Viral Hepatitis Policy
 - Dan Riedford and Michael Craig
- Developing an Effective Congressional Strategy
 - House Staffers

Thank You

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