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The American Diabetes Association's Statement on Recent Reduction in Funding for the National Institutes of Health

Funding Cuts Could Create Unintended Consequences for People with Diabetes

ARLINGTON, Va. (Feb. 10, 2025) — The National Institutes of Health (NIH) recently announced that it is limiting funding for indirect costs for research grants. These funds, generally provided to universities, medical centers, and other scientific organizations, help offset overhead expenses related to conducting research. Previously, the amount of NIH funding assigned for indirect costs varied and is now being reduced to a flat ratio of 15%. Effective today, this reduction will be applied to all new NIH grants and will result in funding cuts to the \$9 billion allocated for these expenses. The American Diabetes Association® is concerned about this cut's impact on research for a cure and treatments benefitting those living with diabetes.

Our full statement:

“Diabetes is a national epidemic, with nearly half of Americans living with diabetes or prediabetes. The American Diabetes Association (ADA) urges our nation's leaders to prioritize research that helps to find a cure, reduces the burden of diabetes, and helps Americans living with the disease thrive. The reduction in funding for the National Institutes of Health's research grants may have long-term consequences for diabetes research and ultimately the diabetes community. The ADA looks forward to working with leaders in government and public health to ensure we avoid any unintended consequences that could jeopardize the health of the diabetes community or create a health crisis.”

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About the American Diabetes Association

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) is the nation's leading voluntary health organization fighting to end diabetes and helping people thrive. For 84 years, the ADA has driven discovery and research to prevent, manage, treat, and ultimately cure diabetes. There are 136 million Americans living with diabetes or prediabetes. Through advocacy, program development, and education, we're fighting for them all. To learn more or to get involved, visit us at diabetes.org or call 1-800-DIABETES (800-342-2383). Join us in the fight on Facebook (American Diabetes Association), Spanish Facebook (Asociación Americana de la Diabetes), LinkedIn (American Diabetes Association), and



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