

Update on Prevention and Public Health Fund and National Prevention Strategy

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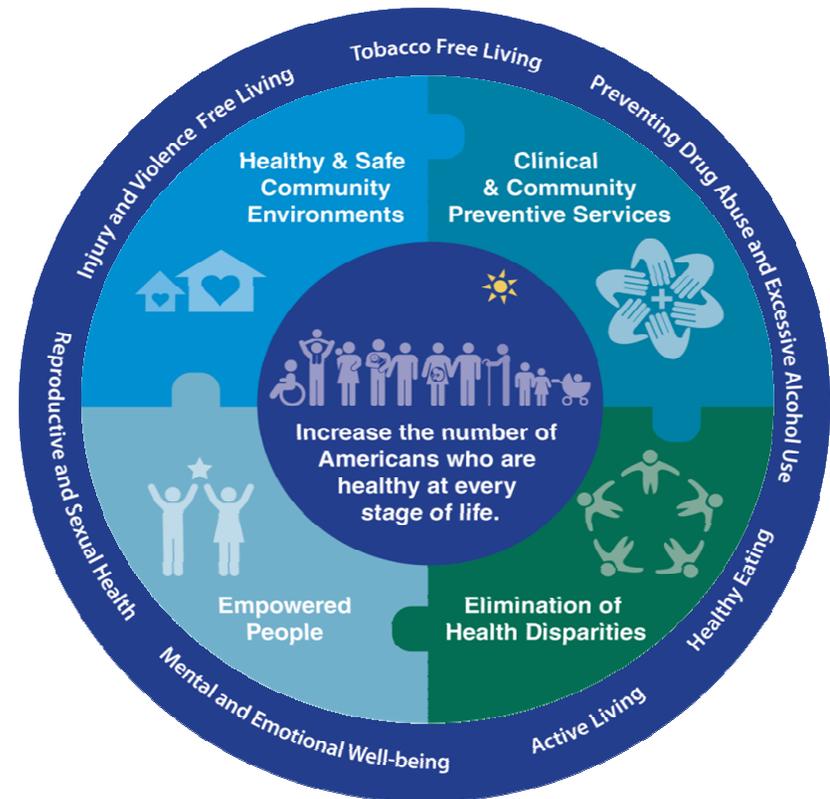
Coverage of Preventive Services

□ **ACA:**

- Eliminates cost-sharing for preventive services in Medicare and Medicaid.
- Provides Medicare coverage, with no co-payment or deductible for an annual wellness visit, as well as a personalized prevention plan that includes a health risk assessment.
- Requires states to provide Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation for pregnant women, without cost sharing.
- Creates an essential health benefits package whose benefits shall be defined by the Secretary. Included in general categories are preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management.
- Stipulates that group health plans shall provide coverage, without cost-sharing, for preventive services with an “A” or “B” rating from the US Preventive Services Task Force and immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

National Prevention Strategy

- Four pillars
 - Healthy and Safe Community Environments
 - Clinical and Community Preventive Services
 - Empowered People
 - Elimination of Health Disparities



National Prevention Strategy

- A vision of prevention that ranges from traditional clinical services to community change that addresses the policies and structures that affect healthy choices, to the social determinants of health
- A recognition that all agencies of the federal government have a role to play – and by extension all levels of government and all sectors of society

What's next?

- National Prevention Council will consider implementation steps
- Advisory Group on Prevention will focus on:
 - Engagement/Co-benefits for non-health agencies
 - Integration into implementation of health reform
- Taking the Prevention Strategy to your community
- Constituencies defining what it means to implement these principles in real policies and programs

Prevention Fund FY 2011 - \$750 million

- CDC operating plan submitted to Congress – 5/13/11
 - \$145 million for Community Transformation Grants
 - \$42.2 million for Chronic Disease State Grants
 - \$40 million for Epidemiology and Lab Capacity
 - \$10 million for Prevention Research Centers
 - \$14 million for community and clinical task forces
 - \$100 million for childhood immunizations
 - \$40.2 million for public health infrastructure

Prevention Fund FY 2012 (proposed)

- \$1 billion

- Proposed in President's Budget on February 14th
 - \$221 million for Community Transformation Grants
 - \$157.7 million for Chronic Disease State Grants
 - \$79 million for tobacco cessation
 - \$40 million for Epidemiology and Lab Capacity
 - \$20 million for injury prevention
 - \$40 million for public health infrastructure
 - \$30 million for HIV/AIDS

ACA implementation update

- Funding opportunity announcements (FOAs) posted throughout Spring and Summer – including CTGs, public health infrastructure, and consolidated chronic disease grants
- Multiple opportunities for regulatory comments – including nutrition labeling, NPS, exchanges, etc.
- Over 900 Letters of Intent for CTGs alone
- Funding announcements expected in late summer and early fall

True community-based prevention

□ **Community Transformation Grants (Sec.4201)**

- Requires detailed plan for policy, environmental, programmatic and infrastructure changes to promote healthy living and reduce disparities
 - Create healthier school environments, including healthy food options, physical activity opportunities, promotion of healthy lifestyles
 - Develop and promote programs targeting increased access to nutrition, physical activity, smoking cessation and safety
 - Highlight healthy options at restaurants and food venues
 - NOT limited to chronic diseases or one disease at a time

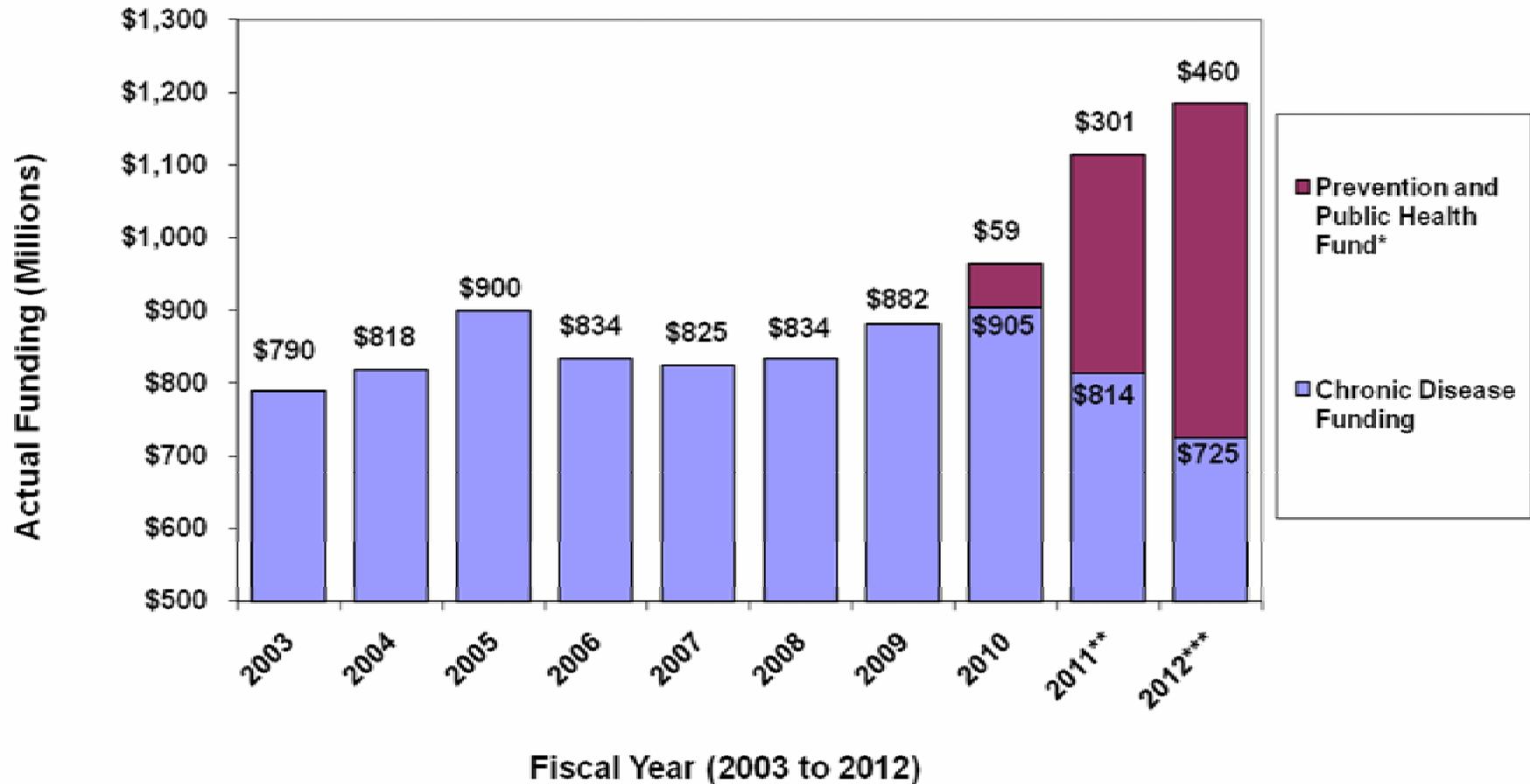
Challenges to the Prevention Fund

- Why defend it?
 - Mandatory nature – only source of assured new funding in tight fiscal times
 - Source of \$ for transformative change
- What's the objection?
 - It's part of the ACA
 - Mandatory = contributes to deficit
 - Claim that Congress has no control over how spent
 - Untrue: Secretary only acts if Congress doesn't

Current risk assessment

- House voted to repeal ACA
- House voted to repeal Prevention Fund
- Successfully protected in the FY11 budget deal
- Debt Ceiling/FY 12
 - Negotiations ongoing, GOP put out list of health cuts including \$8 billion cut to Fund.
- Cuts in CDC base undermine value of Fund
 - Is Congress/Administration making a conscious trade off?
 - Can we maintain transformative nature of the Fund?

CDC Chronic Disease Funding from FY2003 to FY2012



*FY 2010-2012 CDC values are supplemented by the Prevention and Public Health Fund

** FY2011 value is "enacted" value, while the other FY values are "actual"

*** FY2012 value (excluding the Prevention and Public Health Fund) represents the President's Budget request

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