



Proposed NIAID report language – FY 2025 Appropriations

The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA) is asking House and Senate appropriators to consider inserting language in each of the respective FY 2025 appropriations bill reports recommending some NIAID research funding be allocated to infection prevention and antimicrobial research.

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National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

Antimicrobial Stewardship: The Committee is aware that antibiotic stewardship programs are a key component in preventing the spread of antibiotic resistance in all healthcare facilities in the US and across the world. In the 2020 National Action Plan for Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria (CARB), 2020-2025, one of the five goals was to Accelerate Basic and Applied Research and Development for New Antibiotics, Other Therapeutics, and Vaccines to improve understanding of the many factors that contribute to the emergence, spread, and persistence of antibiotic resistance and to support new strategies for preventing and mitigating infections. NIH has fallen far short of this goal and continues to underfund translational and health services research projects aimed at advancing the effectiveness and practice of infection control and antimicrobial stewardship. The Committee urges NIAID to undergo an assessment of the current support and funding mechanisms to advance infection control, antimicrobial stewardship, and health services research, determine where the gaps exist, and create a research agenda to help advance this important area of practical knowledge. We also encourage NIAID support implementation science projects in this area, similar to the RFAs and grant support for other institutes, including NHLBI and NCI.

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