## ACS NCCRT Policy Action



Priority Team Meeting November 20, 2025 3:45-5:00pm ET





#### **Priority Team Discussion Co-Leads**







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- Present a colorectal cancer (CRC) policy year in review for members of the ACS NCCRT Policy Action Priority Team (PT)
- 2. Discuss recent policy updates and future policy changes in regards to CRC
- 3. Get feedback from PT members about policy resources or topics they'd like to learn about in the next year





### Today's Agenda Items

- Welcome & Introductions
- 2 CRC Policy Year in Review
- 3 Discussion and Q&A
- 4 Breakouts
- 5 Report Back & Wrap Up

#### **Ice Breaker**





- 1. Name
- 2. Organization
- 3. What was the best part of the meeting so far?







The long-term mission of theACS NCCRT Policy Action Priority Team (PT) is to identify, share, and discuss information on emerging and pressing policy issues around colorectal cancer screening and promote opportunities where PT members can engage to advance and influence policy change at the local, state, and federal level.





# CRC Policy Year in Review

#### "One Big Beautiful Bill Act"



- **Medicaid** (work requirements, eligibility changes, cost sharing requirements, changes to provider taxes...)
- Affordable Care Act (verification requirements for patients receiving premium tax credits, changes to autoenrollment...)
- Medicare (eliminates Medicare eligibility for certain immigrant population, reduction of Low-Income subsidy)
- Rural Health Transformation Program





## United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF)

- Braidwood v. Becerra
- Cuts to AHRQ
- Meeting cancellations
- Potential for removal of Task Force members







## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- Division of Cancer Prevention and Control
- Cancer Registries
- Colorectal Cancer Control Program (CRCCP)
  - Funding
  - New round of grants (more grantees, less funding)

|          | President's<br>Budget | House Bill                | Senate Bill      |
|----------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| CDC DCPC | \$0                   | \$417.5mil<br>(\$7.5mil+) | \$410mil (level) |





## National Institutes of Health (NIH)/National Cancer Institute (NCI)

- Funding cuts
- Staffing cuts
- Indirect costs, forward funding
- Dr. Jay Bhattacharya (NIH Director) and Dr. Anthony Letai (NCI Director)

|     | President's<br>Budget  | House Bill | Senate Bill |
|-----|------------------------|------------|-------------|
| NIH | -\$27bil<br>(40% cut)  | +\$99mil   | +\$400mil   |
| NCI | -\$2.7bil<br>(37% cut) | +\$48mil   | +\$130mil   |





#### **HEDIS Follow-Up Measure**

- Received full funding from CDC
- A few testing sites contracted collecting data
- January NCQA vote & public comment
- Summer 2026 approval
- Additional funding needed for implementation







#### On the horizon...

- ACA Premium Tax Credits
- FY26 Government Funding
- FY27 Government Funding
- Other?









## Discussion & Q&A





### Breakouts

#### **Discussion Questions**

- What do you see as the most pressing policy issue that could arise in the next year?
- Is there a CRC policy topic or speaker that you've been wanting to learn more about?
- Is there a CRC policy topic that you think we NEED to learn more about?
- Are there any gaps in resources related to CRC policy?
- What are your policy needs or what would be most helpful in your work when it comes to policy change?









## Report Back





## Wrap Up