



CONSORTIUM FOR CITIZENS  
WITH DISABILITIES

## ANALYSIS OF PRESIDENTS FY 2011 BUDGET IN DEPARTMENTS OTHER THAN HHS: IMPLICATIONS FOR DISABILITY PREVENTION

A briefing was held by the Association of Public Health of America by staff of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on the President's FY 2011 Budget for CDC. The issue of collaboration with Federal Departments who had venues to promote public health was a topic of discussion

### Summary

Broad goals have been expressed by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention in focus areas and then delineated into objective target areas. The goals and objectives identified are: **Increase Years of Healthy Life:** (Mental and Physical Impairment and Disabilities). **Promote Healthy Behavior:** (Physical Activity, Nutrition, Unintentional injuries, Tobacco, Substance Abuse), **Protect Health:** (Food and Drug Safety, Environmental Health, Occupational Health, **Access to Health Care:** Clinical Preventive Services, Mental Health Services), **Strengthen Community Prevention:** (Violent & Abusive Behavior, Community Interventions). **Eliminate Health Disparities:** People with Disabilities, Low Income, Gender, Age, and Race/Ethnicity. An analysis of the Presidents FY 2011 Budget reveals that a considerable part of the public health venue is implemented through at least 10 Federal Departments other than the Department of Health and Human Services.

### Disability Prevention Issue

The role of CDC is to prevent disease and disability. Thus, there is need for initiatives by CDC and Federal Departments and agencies with public health function to collaborate with one another to effectively implement public health initiatives and mediate conflicts of policy interests may arise that compromise the health of Americans. A disconnected public health system, may in part, be responsible for low U.S. standing, when compared to other industrialized countries, on population-based morbidity and mortality measures which contribute to diminished health, chronic health conditions and disability.

### Activity

A letter was written and a post forum was held with staff of CDC to express concern for collaboration among federal departments to implement effective public health to prevent disability. An analysis of public health functions among in federal departments was developed and transmitted to staff of CDC.

**Principle**

There should be effective collaboration among Federal departments and agencies that result in preventable diminished health and disability