



## Legislative Agenda 118<sup>th</sup> Congress, 1<sup>st</sup> Session

### About the Sleep Research Society

The Sleep Research Society (SRS) is an organization for scientific investigators who educate and research sleep and circadian science. The SRS serves its members and the field of sleep research through training and education, and by providing forums for collaboration and the exchange of ideas. The SRS facilitates its goals through [an annual SLEEP meeting](#), held in conjunction with the American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM), where cutting-edge research is presented. The meeting includes the [SRS Trainee Symposia Series](#), a program specifically aimed at young researchers entering the field of sleep. The SRS also hosts a bi-annual meeting, [Advances in Sleep and Circadian Science](#), a single track conference with extensive cutting-edge research discussions that will bridge sleep and circadian science. Additionally, the SRS advocates on behalf of its members to increase federally-funded sleep research through grass-roots [lobbying and communications efforts](#). The SRS also publishes the journals *SLEEP* and *SLEEP Advances*, produces educational products and provides volunteer opportunities for regular and student members.

### FY 2024 Funding Recommendations

- SRS joins the broader public health community in requesting \$11.58 billion in overall funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an increase of \$1.84 billion over FY 2023, to advance professional education, public awareness, and surveillance activities.
  - Please provide the CDC *Chronic Disease Education and Awareness Program* with \$6 million, an increase of \$1.5 million over FY 2023, to facilitate additional cooperative agreements to advance timely public health efforts with community stakeholders.
- SRS joins the broader research community in requesting \$50.92 billion in discretionary funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), an increase of \$3.5 billion over FY 2023. Sleep impacts nearly every system of the body and various disease processes, please provide proportional funding increases for all NIH Institutes and Centers to further support sleep, circadian, and sleep disorders research activities.
  - Please provide the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H) with a meaningful funding increase above the discretionary increase for NIH to properly implement this important and potentially impactful initiative.
  - Please support emerging and ongoing diversity, equity, and inclusion activities focused on addressing health disparities and promoting health equity.
- SRS calls on Congress to please provide the Department of Defense (DoD) Peer-Reviewed Medical Research Program with a meaningful funding increase and continue to include “sleep disorders and restriction” on the annual list of conditions deemed eligible for study.
- SRS joins Friends of VA Medical Research to ask Congress to please provide the VA Medical and Prosthetic Research Program with \$980 million for FY 2024, a \$64 million increase over FY 2023, to enhance support for critical research projects.