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Dear [member_name_first],

Yesterday, the House Appropriations Committee released an outline of their proposal to fund the federal government until September - the end of this fiscal year. As readers may know, the 111th Congress did not pass a bill to fund the government beyond March 4, leaving the task to the newly-elected 112th Congress.

So far, FY 2011's funding debate has been immensely complex. To help our colleagues in public health follow the debate, The CPH Foundation produced the short video ([linked to here](#)). The piece details the current federal funding proposals for disease control and prevention programs and discusses how the House measure appears to reduce the CDC's budget back to, approximately, FY 2003 levels *before* accounting for inflation.

As the debate continues, we will work to help make sense of various funding proposals. Stay tuned!



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