

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 4, 1976

The President

of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider amendments to the appropriations requested in the budget for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$2,234,000 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The details of these proposals are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Enclosure



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration amendments in the amount of \$2,234,000 to the appropriations requested in the budget for fiscal year 1977 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Budget appendix page	Heading	1977 request pending	1977 proposed amendment	1977 revised request
326	Indian health services	\$314,594,000	\$2,857,000	\$317,451,000

This amendment provides funds to continue the Indian related alcoholism programs proposed for transfer from the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration at current program levels.

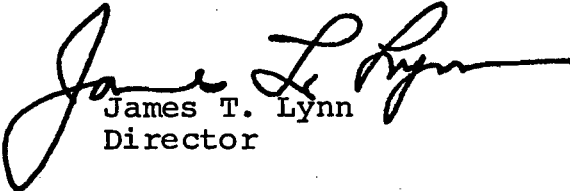
ALCOHOL, DRUG ABUSE, AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

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334	Alcohol, drug abuse, and mental health	\$623,331,000	\$-623,000	\$622,708,000

This amendment reduces the request for appropriations because of the proposed transfer of additional Indian related community and training programs to the Indian Health Service (IHS). Authority for this transfer is being requested of the Congress because these programs are equally appropriate for administration by the IHS.

I have carefully reviewed these amendments and am satisfied that these requests are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,


James T. Lynn
Director