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PANCREATIC CANCER PATIENTS ARE COUNTING ON YOU
Increase Funding for the Pancreatic Cancer Research Program at the DoD

WHY IS THIS URGENT?
Pancreatic cancer is the world’s toughest cancer.

- The five-year survival rate for pancreatic cancer is just 10%.  
- Pancreatic cancer is the 3rd leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the U.S., and it’s projected to move to 2nd by 2030.  
- In 2021, an estimated 60,430 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, and 48,220 will die from the disease.

“IT is a major milestone for our field to have achieved a new federal research program that is dedicating funds annually to pancreatic cancer. More resources equal more researchers who tackle this deadly disease from more angles.”

Ingunn Stromnes, PhD, assistant professor in the department of microbiology and immunology at the University of Minnesota

WHY DoD?
Research shows that within a cohort of U.S. veterans, there is direct evidence for increased risk of death from pancreatic cancer. Veterans often have known risk factors for pancreatic cancer, including environmental exposure, other medical conditions such as diabetes, and lifestyle factors such as smoking and obesity.

Increasing funding for the Pancreatic Cancer Research Program at the DoD is an opportunity to quickly and dramatically impact patient outcomes.

TREMENDOUS DEMAND FOR DoD FUNDING

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*These numbers reflect recommendations only.

The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network urges the 117th Congress to help patients live longer and better lives by Investing $20 million in the Pancreatic Cancer Research Program at the DoD in FY 2022.