



American Society
of Echocardiography

FY27 NIH FUNDING PHONE AND EMAIL SCRIPTS

SUBJECT:

Support \$51.303 Billion for NIH in FY27 to Advance Cardiovascular Innovation

EMAIL BODY:

Dear [Senator/Representative Last Name],

My name is [Your Name], and I am a [echocardiographer/physician/sonographer] at [Institution] in [City, State]. As your constituent, I urge you to support at least \$51.303 billion in funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Fiscal Year 2027. This increase would provide the sustained, predictable growth needed to protect patients and maintain U.S. leadership in biomedical research.

NIH funding has been vital to advances in echocardiography and cardiovascular ultrasound, which I rely on daily to diagnose and manage heart disease. It has enabled key innovations such as 3D and 4D real-time cardiac imaging, strain imaging, contrast-enhanced ultrasound, machine learning tools for image interpretation, and portable and handheld cardiac imaging devices. These advances improve diagnostic accuracy, enable earlier detection of heart disease, enhance patient monitoring, and help reduce long-term healthcare costs.

In my practice, advanced echocardiographic techniques allow earlier diagnosis and more targeted treatment for cardiovascular disease, directly improving outcomes for patients in our community. These tools are possible only with sustained federal investment in research.

NIH funding also benefits our local economy by supporting research at [local institution], sustaining high-quality jobs, and strengthening our state's role in medical innovation. Stable funding is especially critical for early-career physician-scientists who are driving the next generation of cardiovascular breakthroughs.

NIH has long enjoyed bipartisan support because medical research benefits every district and strengthens our national security and global competitiveness.

I respectfully ask that you support at least \$51.303 billion for NIH in FY27.

I would welcome the opportunity to serve as a resource to your office on cardiovascular imaging and patient care.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to medical research.

Sincerely,