

SAVE SCIRP!!

SPINAL CORD INJURY RESEARCH PROGRAM



**ON MARCH 15, 2025 CONGRESS
ELIMINATED THE SPINAL CORD
INJURY RESEARCH PROGRAM**

- The 2025 Continuing Resolution (CR) bill eliminated SCIRP
- The CR passed with NO DEBATE in the House or Senate
- Some Appropriations Committee members didn't even know which research programs were defunded until AFTER the CR was passed
- NO INPUT was allowed from Congress, any agency, scientists, clinicians, or citizens like YOU



What Did You Lose?

- The ONLY federal research program specifically researching SCI
- \$40 million of annual SCI research funding
- SCIRP is nearly ONE THIRD of federal SCI research
- SCIRP = People with Lived Experience (PLEX) input. It required direct SCI community involvement in research funding decisions



How to Save SCIRP!

- **Contact your Representative and Senators**
- Tell them how you/your loved one's life is affected by SCI and how it would change if you had more hand/leg function; more thermoregulation; reduced neuropathic pain; better bowel/bladder/sexual function
- **RESTORE SCIRP funding & support the COONS/ALSOBROOKS AMENDMENT**



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