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PRESIDENT OBAMA RELEASES FY 2010 BUDGET DETAILS FOR INJURY & VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAMS

Budget proposal includes increase for domestic violence prevention, child maltreatment

Atlanta, GA – With the release of his budget proposal for FY 2010, President Obama and his Administration have proposed an increase of \$3 million for the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for domestic violence prevention, specifically focusing on the prevention of teen dating violence in high-risk urban communities.

Additional items included in the President's 2010 budget proposal include:

- Level funding for the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant (\$662 million)
- An increase for the National Center for Health Statistics (\$13 million)
- Level funding for the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (\$102 million)
- A major new proposed mandatory program that “provides funds to states for evidence-based home visitation programs for low-income families” proposed to be administered by the Administration for Children and Families (\$87 million).

Amber Williams, Executive Director of STIPDA, said “STIPDA is pleased to see increased funds for the prevention of teen dating violence and evidence-based home visitation programs in the President's 2010 budget proposal. Nevertheless, we remain very concerned that the investments in injury and violence prevention are not nearly commensurate with the burden of the problem. Investments in injury and violence prevention will provide immediate and long-term cost-savings – something we can all support given the current state of the economy. STIPDA and its members will continue to work with Congressional members to seek increased funding for state injury and violence prevention capacity and evidence-based programs.”

To view the President's official 2010 Budget Proposal, visit www.omb.gov.

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