

PANCREATIC CANCER PATIENTS ARE COUNTING ON YOUR SUPPORT

INCREASE PANCREATIC CANCER RESEARCH PROGRAM AT DoD TO \$10 MILLION



Federal funding is a powerful weapon in fighting pancreatic cancer.

WHY IS THIS URGENT?

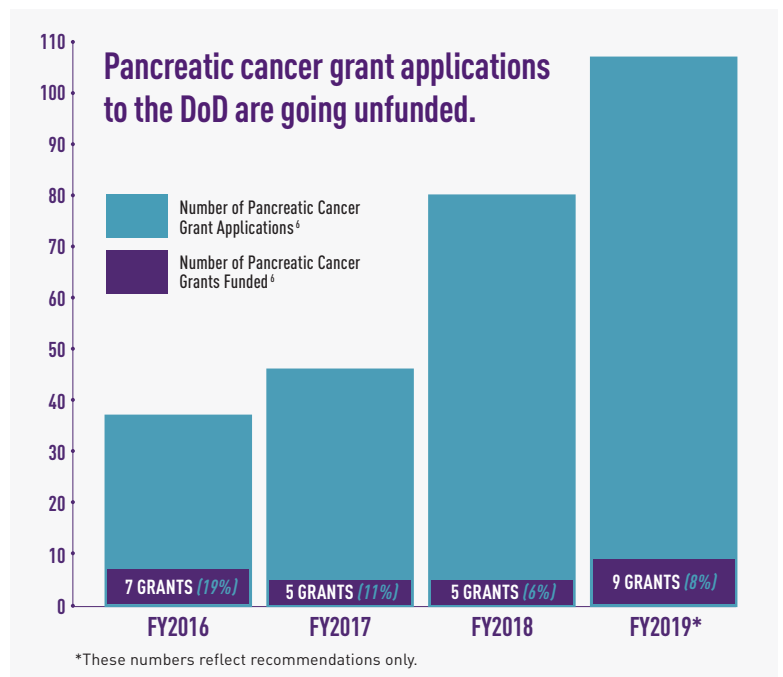
Pancreatic cancer is the world's toughest cancer.

- The **five-year survival rate** for pancreatic cancer is just **10%**.^{1,2}
- Pancreatic cancer is the **3rd leading cause of cancer-related death** in the U.S., and 66% of patients die within the first year of diagnosis.^{1,3}
- In 2020, an estimated 57,600 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, and **47,050 will die from the disease**.¹

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.^{4,5}

Increasing funding for the Department of Defense's (DoD) Pancreatic Cancer Research Program is an opportunity to quickly and dramatically impact patient outcomes.



THE PANCREATIC CANCER ACTION NETWORK URGES THE 116TH CONGRESS TO Increase funding to \$10 million for the Pancreatic Cancer Research Program at the DoD's Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP).

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