

Mission

The Coalition to Stop Flu is a multi-sector advocacy coalition dedicated to ending deaths from seasonal and pandemic influenza.

The Coalition's federal policy agenda is aimed at saving lives, saving money, and protecting public health by enhancing the U.S. influenza ecosystem, including ensuring adequate funding for priority influenza programs.

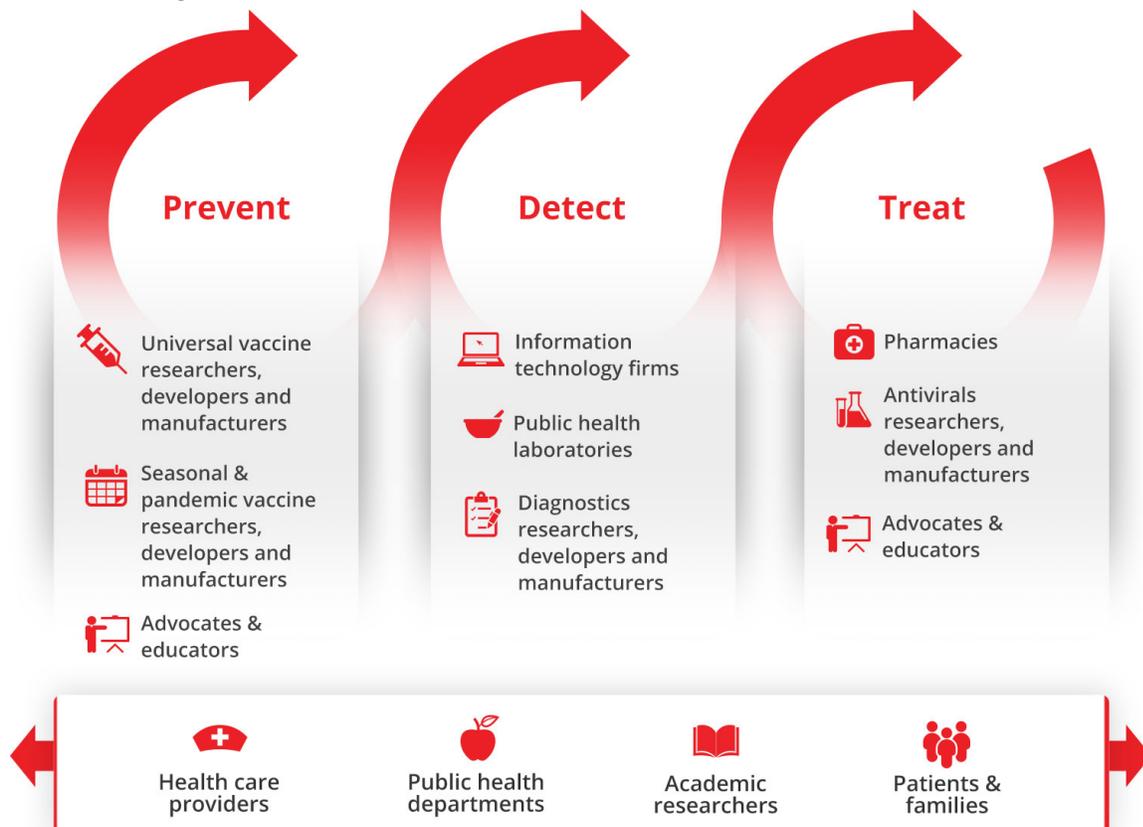
Coalition Members

Our members represent a unified advocacy voice for policy makers, including public health and patient advocacy organizations; academic, scientific, and research organizations; health care professional organizations; emerging biotech companies; health care distributors; and vaccine, antiviral, and diagnostic manufacturers.

"For far too long, our country has seemingly accepted tens of thousands of annual deaths from flu as inevitable. The phrase 'just the flu' fundamentally misrepresents a virus that kills tens of thousands of Americans – including children – and results in hundreds of thousands of hospitalizations and millions of illnesses and missed work days. And pandemic influenza remains an extraordinary threat to our nation's health and prosperity. More can, and must, be done to end deaths from seasonal and pandemic influenza."

—Former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, Chairman, Coalition to Stop Flu

The Influenza Ecosystem



Coalition funding priorities include increased federal funding for:

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to conduct flu surveillance, laboratory testing, and vaccination campaigns using the latest evidence-based messaging techniques;
- The Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response and the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, to support the development and stockpiling of critical pandemic flu vaccines, preventives, antivirals, and diagnostics;
- The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, to fund the long-term goal of developing “universal” flu vaccines, preventives, and new antiviral and diagnostics basic research; and
- Implementing the National Influenza Vaccine Modernization Strategy.

Coalition federal policy priorities focus on saving lives, saving money, and protecting public health through:

- Increasing influenza vaccination rates, including building vaccine confidence;
- Improving vaccine effectiveness, through improvements to current products and funding of innovative new options;
- Upgrading rapid detection and diagnostic capabilities;
- Developing treatment options and access to treatment;
- Modernizing public health data and surveillance infrastructure;
- Enhancing state and local response capabilities;
- Strengthening pandemic response, including stockpile management and distribution; and
- Expanding domestic manufacturing.

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American Heart Association	Inovio
American Society for Microbiology	National Association of City and County Health Officials
Association of Public Health Laboratories	The National Foundation for Infectious Diseases
The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials	Novavax
BD	Sanofi
CSL Seqirus	Seqirus
Families Fighting Flu	Trust for America's Health
Genentech	Vaccinate Your Family
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