# Research Funding at Risk

### **UNDERSTANDING RESEARCH COSTS**

Research requires funding for both direct costs (like lab supplies) and **Facilities & Administrative (F&A) costs.** F&A covers essential expenses that support research but aren't tied to a single project such as...



IT and cybersecurity for data protection





## WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF F&A COST REIMBURSEMENT RATES ARE CUT?

Research institutions will lose millions of dollars to do critical research.

### THE IMPACTS WOULD BE **DEVASTATING.**



Job cuts and fewer opportunities to train future leaders

Slowed scientific discovery and innovation



Fewer clinical trials, delaying new treatments





Weakened local economies and research-driven industries

### **HOW IS RESEARCH AT RISK?**

• The National Institutes of Health (NIH) announced a policy change that <u>limits F&A cost funding</u> to **15**% for both new and existing grants.

The policy drastically cuts essential federal support for biomedical research.

- A group of universities and states filed a lawsuit claiming the funding cuts are <u>illegal</u>.
- A federal judge temporarily paused the funding cuts, but F&A costs remain at risk.
- Scientists and public are speaking out to share how important it is to maintain funding for research and innovation.



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