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AAO-HNS Requests Federal Funding for Tobacco Control Efforts

The Academy joined others in the healthcare community in sending letters to congressional appropriators regarding FY 2020 funding for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Office on Smoking and Health (OSH). The [FDA letter](#) requests approval of \$712 million in tobacco product user fees, the full amount authorized by the Tobacco Control Act. The [CDC OSH letter](#) asks for a \$100 million increase in funding to help the agency better address the new epidemic of e-cigarette use among America's youth.

