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## 253-2023

Proclamation

### Proclaim April 2023 to be Parkinson's Awareness Month

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Whereas, Parkinson's disease affects more than 20,000 people in Oregon, a number that is expected to more than double by the year 2040; and

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Whereas, there are millions of Americans who are caregivers, family members, and friends of those impacted by Parkinson's disease; and

Whereas, it is estimated that 90,000 individuals are diagnosed annually with Parkinson's disease in North America, 50% higher than the 60,000 annual diagnoses that research previously suggested.

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In Portland and encourage all residents to observe this month.

### Documents and Exhibits

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#### Introduced by

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#### Requested Agenda Type

Time Certain

#### Date and Time Information

##### Requested Council Date

April 5, 2023

##### Requested Start Time

10:05 am

##### Time Requested

20 minutes

## Agenda Items

253 Time Certain in [April 5, 2023 Council Agenda](#)

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# The Economic Burden of Parkinson's Disease: Study Finds Annual Cost to Federal Government is \$25 Billion, Double Previous Estimates

## National Economic Burden of Parkinson's

**\$52 Billion**

Approximately 1 million people in the U.S. have Parkinson's, which costs the nation **\$52 billion each year**. This includes a **direct medical cost of \$25.4 billion**, with additional indirect and non-medical costs of **\$26.5 billion**. It is estimated that more than **1.6 million** people in the United States will be impacted by Parkinson's disease by 2037, at an estimated economic burden of **\$79 billion**.

## Cost and Prevalence in Oregon



Oregon's population is **4,189,659 people**  
**13,926 have Parkinson's**

The direct and indirect costs to care for people with Parkinson's in Oregon is **\$696 million**

## PD prevalence in Oregon:

**3.32**  
Per 1,000 people

The federal government spends **\$25 billion** every year to care for people with Parkinson's disease, and only **\$234 million** researching the disease. It's time for the government to invest more to find a cure for Parkinson's.



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FOR PARKINSON'S RESEARCH

## The Direct Cost of PD to the Federal Government

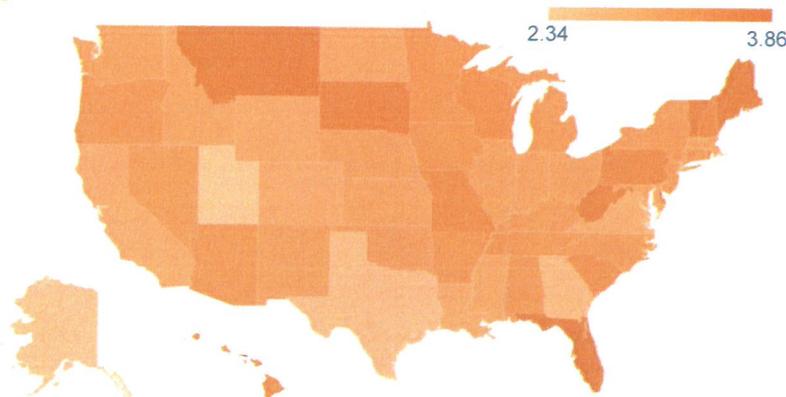
**\$25 Billion**

**\$23 billion** of the direct cost to the federal government is shouldered by Medicare, with an additional **\$2 billion** attributable to SSI/SSDI.

**90%**

Medicare insures **90%** of people with Parkinson's. In 2017, only **7%** of direct medical care costs were attributable to private insurance. The excess medical cost of PD for patients on Medicare is **\$24,811 every year**.

## Parkinson's Prevalence by State, per 1,000 People



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