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I'm sure many of you have seen this by now but if not... The administration has proposed its FY'19 budget. The proposal eliminates or cuts programs for seniors. It looks like SHIP and SCSEP are going to be ongoing battles each year. You can click on the NCOA link below to get their budget narrative. I've provided a list of the budget items below.

Budget negotiations between administrations and congress are unpredictable at best...

### **Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Proposal From the Administration**

#### **Proposed to be eliminated**

SHIP  
SCSEP  
Falls Prevention  
Chronic Disease Self-Management Education (CDSME)  
LIHEAP  
Block Grants (SSBG, CDSBD, CDBG)

#### **Proposed cuts**

SNAP cut by \$213 billion  
Elder Justice Act (EJA) cut by \$2million  
Medicare cut by \$237 billion  
Medicaid cut by \$1 trillion  
SSDI and SSI cut by \$72 billion

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## Administration requests cuts to senior programs

The Administration's FY19 budget request was released Feb. 12. It recommends eliminating or cutting more than a dozen programs or initiatives vital to the health and economic security of seniors. Few major policy changes are expected to pass in this election year, but we're watching closely as Congress starts the FY19 process and finalizes FY18 funding.

**See what to watch for**

*February 21, 2018*

## Register now for Senior Centers 2018

In partnership with the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Service Providers, NCOA's National Institute of Senior Centers is bringing the only national senior center conference to Charleston, SC. Register now to hear a keynote speech by author Elizabeth White, tour nationally accredited senior centers, attend workshops on trends and best practices, and enjoy networking opportunities.

**Make your plans**

## 3 challenges of delayed retirement

Anna Maria Chávez, Chief Strategy Officer and Senior Vice President for External Affairs at NCOA, spoke with U.S. News & World Report about the benefits and drawbacks of postponing retirement. See how health concerns, caregiving, and job loss may all contribute to an older adult's ability to be economically secure.

[Learn more](#)

Coming Up...

- **Using Motivational Interviewing to Improve Health Outcomes Among Older Adults:** Attend this webinar to learn more about the use of motivational interviewing in the Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment program and other evidence-based initiatives. *March 7 @ 3 p.m. ET*

*In case you missed it ...*

- **The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018's effect on seniors:** The budget deal signed into law two weeks ago lifts funding caps and includes some positive Medicare changes, thanks to NCOA's advocacy. However, other priority programs were not included.

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