Planning for the Presidential Transition at NIH

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Presidential Transition

Types of non-competitive positions*

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<th>Position Type</th>
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<td>Presidential appointment</td>
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<td>Non-Career Senior Executive Service</td>
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<td>Confidential or policy-determining positions at or below GS-15 level</td>
<td>1,392</td>
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<td>Non-competitive positions by statute, at or below GS-15 level</td>
<td>464</td>
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A new administration typically makes ~4,000 appointments. Over 1,000 require Senate confirmation.
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NIH Materials Completed

- Transition materials were turned in on time
- We were asked to prepare transition materials in a concise manner

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Transition Team Leadership

- **Trump Administration**
  - Chief of Staff – Republican Party Chairman Reince Priebus
  - Chief Strategist, Senior Counselor – Mr. Steve Bannon

- **Trump Transition Team Executive Committee**
  - Chair – Gov. Mike Pence
  - Vice Chairs – Gov. Chris Christie, Dr. Ben Carson, Mr. Newt Gingrich, Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn (ret), Mr. Rudy Giuliani, Sen. Jeff Sessions
  - Additional members – Mr. Steve Bannon, Mr. Reince Priebus, Reps. Lou Barletta, Marsha Blackburn, Chris Collins, Tom Marino, Devin Nunes; Ms. Pam Bondi; Mr. Anthony Scaramucci; Mr. Peter Theil; Mr. Steven Mnuchin; Ms. Rebekah Mercer; Mr. Jared Kushner; Mr. Donald Trump Jr., Ms. Ivanka Trump, and Mr. Eric Trump

  Transition leaders are selecting agency review teams and strategic priorities

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HHS Transition

**Leadership (nominated)**

- **HHS – Rep. Tom Price**
  - M.D. from the University of Michigan
  - Residency at Emory University in Atlanta (Orthopedic Surgeon for 20 years)
  - Assistant Professor at Emory University
  - Chairman of Committee on the Budget and a member of both the Congressional Healthcare Caucus and the Doctors Caucus
  - In 2014, Dr. Price met with Dr. Collins and stressed:
    - The importance of scientific discoveries, and
    - The economic benefits of empirical research

- **CMS – Ms. Seema Verma**
  - President and Founder of SVC, a health policy consulting company
  - Worked with Gov. Mike Pence to design Indiana’s Medicaid expansion plan (Healthy Indiana Plan 2.0)
HHS Transition Team

- **Mr. Andrew Bremberg**
  - Policy Director of Gov. Scott Walker’s Presidency bid
  - Former Policy Advisor to Sen. Mitch McConnell
  - Former Chief of Staff, Office of Public Health and Science, HHS
  - Served on Mitt Romney’s transition team in 2012

- **Ms. Paula Stannard**
  - Project Attorney at Alston & Bird
  - Former Deputy General Counsel and Acting General Counsel at HHS (Food & Drug, Civil Rights and Legislation Divisions)

HHS Transition Team

- **Ms. Renee Amoore**
  - Deputy Chairman of the Republican Party of Pennsylvania since 1996
  - Elected to the Pennsylvania Republican State Committee in 1992
  - President and Founder of the Amoore Group
  - Trained as an RN, with a Masters in Counseling and Administration

- **Ms. Marie Meszaros**
  - Policy Analyst for the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget
  - Served as a Legislative Assistant to Congressman Mark Sanford (R-SC)

- **Mr. John Brooks**
  - Department Head of Health Policy and Economics, The MITRE Corporation
HHS Transition Team

- **Ms. Nina Owcharenko**
  - Director of the Center for Health Policy Studies at the Heritage Foundation
  - Former Legislative Director for Rep. Jim DeMint (R-SC) and Rep. Sue Myrick (R-NC)

- **Mr. Eric Hargan**
  - Attorney at Greenberg Traurig
  - Former Acting Deputy Secretary and Deputy General Counsel of HHS

- **Dr. Scott Gottlieb**
  - Fellow at the American Enterprise Institute and Clinical Assistant Professor at NYU
  - Former FDA Deputy Commissioner for Medical and Scientific Affairs
  - Former Senior Advisor to the CMS Administrator
  - Trained as an internist

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HHS Transition Team

- **Mr. Edmund Haislmaier**
  - Senior Research Fellow for Health Policy Studies at the Heritage Foundation
  - Former Health Policy Consultant
  - Former Director of Health Care Policy, Corporate Strategic Planning and Policy Division, Pfizer, Inc.

- **Ms. Maggie Wynne**
  - Director of Pilgrimage and Visitor Services at Saint John Paul II National Shrine
  - Formerly worked in the Office on Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children & Families, HHS
  - Former Legislative Analyst, HHS
  - Former Caucus Director, U.S. House of Representatives

- **Mr. Kamran Daravi**
  - Advisor, United Nations Economic and Social Council
Stay tuned...