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News Releases

*May 12- [HHS Celebrates National Maternal Mental Health Hotline's First Anniversary; Introduces Updated Number: 1-833-TLC-MAMA](#). *Almost 12,000 people have received support from the Hotline's professional counselors during the first year, "You've made me feel heard and that there's hope for me."* Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) celebrates the first anniversary of the National Maternal Mental Health Hotline. Since its launch on Mother's Day 2022, the hotline's professional counselors have provided emotional support, resources, and referrals to almost 12,000 pregnant and postpartum individuals who struggled with mental health concerns, and their loved ones.

*May 15- [Statement from HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on President Biden's Intention to Nominate Dr. Monica Bertagnolli for Director of the National Institutes of Health](#). *An agency of HHS, the NIH is the nation's Federal focal point for health research.* Today, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra released the following statement after President Joe Biden announced his intent to nominate Dr. Monica Bertagnolli to be the 17th Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) at HHS.

*May 16- [Readout of HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra's Visit to Nagasaki, Japan, for G7 Health Ministerial](#). On May 13 and 14, 2023, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra attended the Health Ministers' Meeting in Nagasaki, Japan, to discuss global health priorities.

*May 16- [HHS Office for Civil Rights Settles HIPAA Investigation with Arkansas Business Associate MedEvolve Following Unlawful Disclosure of Protected Health Information on an Unsecured Server for \\$350,000](#). *MedEvolve, a business associate, to settle breach that affected over 200,000 people.* Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights (OCR) announced a settlement of potential violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Rules with MedEvolve, Inc., a business associate that provides

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practice management, revenue cycle management, and practice analytics software services to covered health care entities. The settlement concludes OCR's investigation of a data breach, where a server containing the protected health information of 230,572 individuals was left unsecured and accessible on the internet.

*May 17- [Joint Press Release on the Launch of the EU-U.S. Health Task](#). Today, the Commissioner for Health and Food Safety, Stella Kyriakides, and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra met in Brussels to launch the EU-U.S. Health Task Force. The Task Force, set up to expand the EU-U.S. partnership in the area of health, will focus on cooperation under three strands: priorities in the area of cancer, global health threats, and strengthening the global health architecture. Technical working groups on these priority areas are being established.

*May 17- [HHS Announces Additional \\$200 Million in Funding for 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline](#). *Funding for states, territories, and tribes will help build local capacity.* The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), today announced more than \$200 million in new funding for states, territories, and tribes to build local capacity for the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline and related crisis services.

*May 18- [Biden-Harris Administration Takes Action to Help Schools Deliver Critical Health Care Services to Millions of Students](#). *New resources and proposed regulations from U.S. Departments of Education and Health and Human Services advance Administration's commitment to expanding health care access and fighting youth mental health crisis.* Today, on the Mental Health Awareness Day of Action, the Biden-Harris Administration is taking bold action to make it easier for schools to provide critical health care services, especially mental health services, for millions of students across the nation. These three significant actions support President Biden's comprehensive national mental health strategy and deliver on his commitment to tackle the nation's mental health crisis as part of his Unity Agenda.

*May 18- [Readout of HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra's Visit to Brussels, Belgium, for EU Health Meetings](#). On May 17, 2023, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra visited Brussels, Belgium, to meet with European Union's (EU) health leadership to discuss the U.S. government's and the EU's global health priorities, including ongoing efforts to end cancer, prepare for future global health threats, and strengthen the global health architecture.

Fact Sheets

*May 11- [Fact Sheet: HHS Details \\$5 Billion 'Project NextGen' Initiative to Stay Ahead of COVID-19](#). Thanks to the Biden-Harris Administration's whole-of-government approach to combatting COVID-19, we are now in a better place in our response than at any point of the pandemic.

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However, we need to continue to support the development of a new generation of tools to stay ahead of COVID-19.

*May 18- [Delivering Service in School-based Settings: A Comprehensive Guide to Medicaid Services and Administrative Claiming](#). *Overview: A Long-awaited Guide to Help Schools Give Care to Children in Medicaid and CHIP*. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is releasing *Delivering Service in School-Based Settings: A Comprehensive Guide to Medicaid Services and Administrative Claiming*. Developed in consultation with the U.S. Department of Education, the new guide represents an important part of the Biden-Harris Administration's work implementing the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA).

*May 18- [Fact Sheet: HHS Provides Resources on Ways Communities Can Stay Protected from Mpox in Advance of Summer Months](#): Last Summer, the United States faced an unprecedented outbreak of mpox with limited resources. The White House and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) launched an urgent, whole of government response to address the outbreak, which resulted in the deployment of tests, vaccines, and investigational treatments nationwide through HHS' Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR).

Blogs

*May 12- [New Marketplace coverage changes for COVID-19](#). The Public Health Emergency for COVID-19 is over. Your Marketplace plan may have some changes to how it covers services for COVID-19.

*May 18- [Health coverage for young adults](#). Health insurance can protect you at any age. Know your options, whether you're still covered through a parent's health insurance plan or searching for your own plan.

*May 18- [Tools to Help Us Work Together to Eliminate Viral Hepatitis in the U.S.](#) By: [Rachel Levine M.D.](#), *Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH)*. Summary: This Hepatitis Awareness Month, we must work together to eliminate viral hepatitis in the U.S. May is [Hepatitis Awareness Month](#), when we focus on raising awareness of viral hepatitis while encouraging testing and vaccination. Hepatitis Awareness Month activities help to improve everyone's understanding of viral hepatitis transmission and risk factors and to decrease social stigma against viral hepatitis.

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