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News Releases

*June 16- [CMS Roundup \(June 16, 2023\)](#). Today, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing an at-a-glance summary of news from around the agency.

*June 16- [The Biden-Harris Administration Takes Additional Actions to Address Mental Health Needs of Young People and Make Communities Safer from Gun Violence](#). Today, the U.S. Department of Education (ED) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) took additional steps to advance the investments and efforts set forth by President Biden's Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) -- the most significant bipartisan gun safety legislation in nearly 30 years. BSCA set forth crucial mental health investments and actions to prevent and respond to gun violence in communities, ensure that those experiencing grief and trauma resulting from gun violence have access to high-quality mental health services, and supports to make our schools safer and expand community violence interventions.

*June 16- [Statement by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on Appointment of Dr. Mandy Cohen as Next Director of the CDC](#). Today, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra issued the following statement in response to President Biden's announcement that he intends to appoint Dr. Mandy Cohen to be the next Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

*June 19- [Statement by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on Juneteenth](#). Today, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra released the following statement in honor of this Juneteenth Day of Observance, celebrated every year in the United States on June 19th.

*June 20- [Statement by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on World Refugee Day](#). Today, on World Refugee Day, we celebrate the many valuable contributions that refugees provide to our nation. We recognize the extraordinary challenges that refugees around the world continue to endure and pay tribute to their courage and resilience. And we thank countless individuals and

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communities across our country who have shown compassion and made a difference in the lives of refugees.

*June 21- [HHS Issues Advisory on Mental Health Symptoms and Conditions Related to Long COVID](#). The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), issued a new advisory today: [Identification and Management of Mental Health Symptoms and Conditions Associated with Long COVID](#).

*June 21- [Biden-Harris Administration Announces Public-Private Partnership to Expand Access to Contraceptive Care](#). *Initiative with Upstream aims to strengthen reproductive care in primary health care settings across the United States.* The Biden-Harris Administration today announced a public-private partnership between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Upstream to expand access to contraception, an essential component of reproductive health care, and address the growing disparities in women's health in the U.S.

*June 22- [HHS Study Shows In-hospital Delivery-related Maternal Death Rates Decreased More than Half from 2008 to 2021](#). *Increases identified in severe maternal morbidity signal the need to better understand and manage risk factors leading to pregnancy-related harm and death.* A large nationally representative study shows in-hospital delivery-related maternal mortality rates improved 57% between 2008 and 2021, despite identified increases in severe maternal morbidity (SMM). This observational study of over 11 million hospital discharges, conducted by the HHS Office on Women's Health (OWH) and published in [JAMA Open Network](#), intends to more clearly define trends and risk factors leading to maternal mortality and morbidity in the United States and to improve overall national prevention and treatment efforts.

*June 22- [HHS Marks 24th Anniversary of the Olmstead Decision](#). Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office for Civil Rights (OCR) celebrates the 24th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's seminal decision in *Olmstead v. L.C.*, with a new national initiative to help drive compliance with the integration mandate and protect the rights of people with disabilities. *Olmstead* recognized that Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act protect the right of people with disabilities to receive services in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs. OCR enforces these statutes as well as Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act, to ensure that the promise of *Olmstead* is realized for persons with disabilities nationwide.

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*June 22- [Commemorating the Olmstead Anniversary with Revitalized Enforcement Initiative](#). By: [Melanie Fontes Rainer](#), Director for Office for Civil Rights (OCR). Summary: *OCR's Revitalized enforcement efforts and education will strengthen protection of federal rights of people with disabilities to live in their communities.* Twenty-four years ago, Lois Curtis and Elaine Wilson

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helped change the world for people with disabilities. Lois and Elaine, two women with psychiatric and intellectual disabilities, challenged their unjustified segregation in a Georgia psychiatric hospital in a lawsuit that reached the United States Supreme Court.

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