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Jodi, Dr. Cumming and Colleagues,

Attached is my 23 page memo outlining research and recommendations related to Administration's proposed HHS governance changes.

My goal with this document was not to suggest that I have all the answers but to take the issues we have encountered over the past year, layer those experiences onto Administration's recommendations and look to outside research and comparable public and safety-net health systems for potential approaches.

I appreciate the significant work Administration has already put into developing these recommendations. My memo is intended to build on that work and identify areas where I think additional clarity or safeguards could strengthen the governance structure.

There is a lot here and I certainly don't expect agreement on every recommendation I put in this document. My hope is that it provides useful research and ideas for our continued discussion as we work toward a governance model that protects patients and the long-term strength of a health system we all admire.

Have a nice weekend!

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