



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

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Dear Nominee:

Congratulations on your nomination as a White House Champion of Change for Public Health and Prevention! As a public health and prevention leader, you play a critical role in improving the health of your community.

Too many communities continue to face high obesity, smoking, and chronic disease rates, and I appreciate your tireless efforts around prevention and public health. Your leadership is essential to moving our nation from a focus on sickness and disease to one that is based on wellness and prevention. Thank you for championing the improvement of health outcomes and reduction of health disparities; your efforts will have lasting effects on the health of Americans.

To enhance efforts such as yours, the Affordable Care Act provides unprecedented resources through the Prevention and Public Health Fund to support public health and community-based strategies to prevent diseases including heart disease, diabetes, and cancer. The health care law is also increasing access to health insurance and preventive services for millions of individuals and their families. The new online Health Insurance Marketplace will be open in each state on October 1, and I hope you will encourage your family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues to visit <http://www.HealthCare.gov> today to sign up for information and prepare for enrollment.

Thank you for the work you do each and every day to advance the health and well-being of our communities. I look forward to continuing our efforts to create a stronger, healthier America.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Sebelius