

DAILY BRIEFING BOOK

for

HHS SECRETARY

XAVIER BECERRA



Monday

6/14/21

Prepared by: Lizeth Zardeneta

Monday, June 14, 2021

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8:15am – 8:45am ET	PREPARATION FOR PRESS CALL
8:45am – 9:45am ET	SPECIAL ENROLLMENT NUMBERS PRESS CALL
9:45am – 10:00am ET	BREAK
10:00am – 10:15am ET	RECORD REMARKS FOR NALEO'S 38th ANNUAL CONFERENCE Location: HHS Studio
10:15am – 10:30am ET	RECORD REMARKS FOR BEST PLACES TO WORK IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT Location: HHS Studio
10:30am – 11:00am ET	BREAK
11:00am – 12:00pm ET	SCI INDOCTRINATION BRIEFING Location: (b)(6) SCIF Participants: Deneen Edwards-Gibson (Deputy Director, HHS Personnel Security Division)

12:00pm – 1:00pm ET

**PREPARATION FOR HEARING WITH HOUSE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR**

Participants: Jeff Hild (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Norris Cochran (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASFR), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Leslie Zelenko (Senior Advisor and Congressional Liaison, ASL), Kelsey Mellette (Special Assistant, ASL), Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Sarah Despres (Counselor to the Secretary), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary), Stephen Cha (Counselor to the Secretary), and Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary)

1:00pm – 1:30pm ET

BREAK

1:30pm – 2:00pm ET

WEEKLY COVID-19 SENIOR LEADERSHIP MEETING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Dr. Anthony Fauci (NIAID Director and Chief Medical Officer), Dr. Rochelle Walensky (CDC Director), Dr. Janet Woodcock (Acting FDA Commissioner), Dr. David Kessler (Chief Scientific Officer Operation Warp Speed), Dr. Marcella Nunez Smith (Chair of the Equity Task Force), Dawn O'Connell (Senior Counselor for COVID Response), and Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

2:00pm – 2:30pm ET

**BI-WEEKLY CHECK-IN WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY
ANDREA PALM**

Location: Zoom

Participants: Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm and Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

2:30pm – 3:00pm ET

PREPARATION FOR CALLS WITH MEMBERS

Location: Conference line

Participants: Jeff Hild (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Leslie Zelenko (Senior Advisor and Congressional Liaison, ASL), and Kelsey Mellette (Special Assistant, ASL)

3:00pm – 3:30pm ET

BREAK

3:30pm – 4:00pm ET

DAILY UC CORE MEETING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Anne Reid (Deputy Chief of Staff), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Mary Wakefield (Counselor to the Secretary), Jeff Hild (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Marvin Figueroa (Intergovernmental and External Affairs Director), Perrie Briskin (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Mark Weber (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs), Paul Rodriguez (Deputy General Counsel), Cindy Huang (Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF), Clare Pierce-Wrobel (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Cheryl Campbell (Acting Assistant Secretary for Administration), Dr. Vivek Murthy (U.S. Surgeon General), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Catherine McLean (Chief Medical Officer, CDC), Patrick Hernandez (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASPR), Michael Smith (NDMS Director, ASPR), Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor, ACF), Erin Fowler (Management Analyst, HRSA), Joel Nelson (Supervisor Program Management Officer, ASPR), Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA), and Norris Cochran (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASFR)

4:00pm – 5:00pm ET

PRINCIPALS COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

Location: Zoom

Participants: Cabinet Secretaries and Biden-Harris Administration Leadership

Staff: UC CORE Team

5:00pm – 5:30pm ET

PREPARATION FOR IMMIGRATION STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLE

Location: Zoom

Participants: Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary), Carrie Pugh (Director of External Affairs, IEA), Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary), and Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary)

Notes: Materials were shared with you for preview on June 9th as part of the briefing book.

5:30pm – 5:45pm ET

BREAK

5:45pm – 6:00pm ET

CALL WITH CONGRESSWOMAN VIRGINIA FOXX

Location: Conference line

Participants: Congresswoman Virginia Foxx and staff

Staff: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation)

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Tuesday
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Tuesday, June 15, 2021

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9:15am – 9:30am ET	RECORD REMARKS FO HHS PRIDE EVENT Location: Studio Staff: Beth Lynk (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs)
9:30am – 10:00am ET	BREAK
10:00am – 10:15am ET	CALL WITH JEFF ZIENTS Location: Phone call Participants: Jeff Zients (White House COVID-19 Response Coordinator)
10:15am – 10:30am ET	BREAK
10:30am – 11:00am ET	ASSOCIATED PRESS INTERVIEW ON VACCINE CONFIDENCE Location: Phone call Staff: Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA) Note: ASPA team shared background separately via email.

11:00am – 12:00pm ET

STAKEHOLDER MEETING: IMMIGRATION GROUPS

Location: Zoom

Participants: Eric Rodriguez (Senior VP for Policy and Advocacy, Unidos US), Domingo Garcia (National President, League of Latin American Citizens – LULAC), Thomas Saenz (President and General Counsel, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund – MALDEF), Greisa Martinez Rosas (Executive Director, United We Dream), Marielena Hincapié (Executive Director, National Immigration Law Center – NILC), John C. Yang (President and Executive Director, Asian Americans Advancing Justice – AAJC)

Staff: Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Carrie Pugh (Director of External Affairs, IEA), Melanie Fontes Rainier (Counselor to the Secretary), Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary), and Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary)

12:00pm – 1:00pm ET

ANOMALOUS HEALTH INCIDENTS BRIEFING

Location: SCIF (b)(6)

Participants: Acting National Security Advisor to the Secretary, Dr. Rachel Levine (Assistant Secretary for Health), Sarah Boateng (Chief of Staff, OASH), and Anne Reid (Deputy Chief of Staff)

1:00pm - 1:30pm ET

BREAK

1:30pm – 1:45pm ET

CALL WITH CONGRESSMAN ADAM SCHIFF

Location: Conference call

Participants: Congressman Schiff and staff

Staff: Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation) and Kelsey Mellette (Special Assistant, ASL)

1:45pm – 2:00pm ET

CALL WITH GOVERNOR LAURA KELLY

Location: Conference call

Participants: Governor Laura Kelly and Adam Nordstrom (KS DC Director)

Staff: Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA) and Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary)

2:00pm – 2:30pm ET

BREAK

2:30pm – 2:45pm ET

CALL WITH CONGRESSMAN BOBBY SCOTT

Location: Conference line

Participants: Congressman Scott and staff

Staff: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation)

2:45pm – 3:00pm ET

CALL WITH CONGRESSMAN HENRY CUELLAR

Location: Conference line

Participants: Congressman Cuellar and staff

Staff: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation)

3:00pm – 4:00pm ET

PREPARATION FOR HEARING WITH HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR

Participants: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Norris Cochran (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASFR), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Leslie Zelenko (Senior Advisor and Congressional Liaison, ASL), Kelsey Mellette (Special Assistant, ASL), Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Sarah Despres (Counselor to the Secretary), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary), Stephen Cha (Counselor to the Secretary), and Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary)

4:00pm – 4:30pm ET

BREAK

4:30pm – 5:00pm ET

**[HOLD] DAILY CHECK-IN WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY
ANDREA PALM**

Location: Zoom

Participants: Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm and Sean McCluskie
(Chief of Staff)

5:00pm – 5:30pm ET

DAILY UC CORE MEETING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Anne Reid (Deputy Chief of Staff), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Mary Wakefield (Counselor to the Secretary), Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Marvin Figueroa (Intergovernmental and External Affairs Director), Perrie Briskin (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Mark Weber (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs), Paul Rodriguez (Deputy General Counsel), Cindy Huang (Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF), Clare Pierce-Wrobel (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Cheryl Campbell (Assistant Secretary for Administration), Dr. Vivek Murthy (U.S. Surgeon General), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Catherine McLean (Chief Medical Officer, CDC), Patrick Hernandez (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASPR), Michael Smith (NDMS Director, ASPR), Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor, ACF), Erin Fowler (Management Analyst, HRSA), Joel Nelson (Supervisor Program Management Officer, ASPR), Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA), and Norris Cochran (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASFR)

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Wednesday, June 16th, 2021

8:00am – 9:00am ET

PREPARATION FOR HEARING WITH HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR

Location: Office of the Secretary / Zoom

In-person participants: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation [ASL]), Norris Cochran (Acting Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Leslie Zelenko (Senior Advisor and Congressional Liaison, ASL), and Kelsey Mellette (Special Assistant, ASL)

Remote Participants: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Sarah Despres (Counselor to the Secretary), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary), Stephen Cha (Counselor to the Secretary), and Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary)

9:00am – 1:30pm ET

HEARING WITH THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR

Location: Virtual

Participants: Members of the House Committee on Education and Labor

Staff In-Person: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Norris Cochran (Acting Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Leslie Zelenko (Senior Advisor and Congressional Liaison, ASL), and Kelsey Mellette (Special Assistant, ASL)

1:30pm – 2:00pm ET

BREAK

2:00pm ET	DEPART HHS EN ROUTE TO ANACOSTIA HIGH SCHOOL Location: 1601 16th St. SE Washington, DC 20020
2:20pm – 3:35pm ET	AFP EVENT WITH SECRETARY CARDONA Location: 1601 16th St. SE Washington, DC 20020 In-Person Participants: Secretary Miguel Cardona, Dr. Lewis Ferebee (Chancellor of District of Columbia Public Schools), Patrick Ashley (Senior Deputy Director for DC Health – Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Administration), and Principal William Haith (Anacostia High School) Virtual Participants: Parents (2) and Students (2) Staff: Beth Lynk (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs) and Alia Schechter (Special Assistant to the Secretary)
3:35pm ET	DEPART SITE EN ROUTE TO DCA
5:00pm ET	WHEELS UP IN DCA EN ROUTE TO DFW
8:15pm ET	APPROX ARRIVAL TO DFW (DALLAS/FORT WORTH
7:15pm CDT	INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT)
9:56pm ET	WHEELS UP IN DFW TO MFE (MCALLEN
8:56pm CDT	INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT)
11:30pm ET	APPROX ARRIVAL TO MFE
10:30pm CDT	
12:00am ET (Thur. 6/17)	DEPART MFE EN ROUTE TO RON
11:00pm CDT	Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Mission; 2505 Victoria Dr, Mission, TX 78572

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12:00am ET DEPART MFE EN ROUTE TO RON

11:00pm CDT (Wed. 6/16) Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Mission; 2505 Victoria Dr,
Mission, TX 78572

9:45am ET DEPART HOTEL EN ROUTE TO NEW HOPE SHELTER

8:45am CDT Location: 1000 N. McColl Road McAllen, TX 78501

9:45am – 10:15am ET PREP FOR NEW HOPE SHELTER VISIT

8:45am – 9:15am CDT Location: Conference call in vehicle

Participants: Mary Wakefield (Counselor to the Secretary), Kate Wolff (Special Advisor, ACF), Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA), Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Leslie Zenko (Senior Advisor and Congressional Liaison, ASL), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

10:15am – 11:15am ET NEW HOPE SHELTER VISIT

9:15am – 10:15am CDT Location: 1000 N. McColl Road McAllen, TX 78501

Participants: Congressman Vicente Gonzalez, Maria Sachetti (Washington Post Reporter), Paloma Bustamante (Program Director), and Oneida Alegria (Regional Director, New Hope Children's Shelter/Grace House Children's Shelter)

Staff: Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

11:15am ET	DEPART NEW HOPE SHELTER EN ROUTE TO DELPHI FACILITY
10:15am CDT	Location: 1401 S. Salinas Blvd, Donna, TX 78537
11:45am – 1:15pm ET	DELPHI FACILITY VISIT
10:45am – 12:15pm CDT	Location: 1401 S. Salinas Blvd, Donna, TX 78537
	Participants: Congressman Vicente Gonzalez, Maria Sachetti (Washington Post Reporter), John Verbeten, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – Federal Site Lead), Paul Reed, MD (Rear Admiral, U.S. Public Health Service – Federal Site Lead), Charles Sowell (Deployed Resources, Site Director), Nora Yanez-Cavazos (FFS, HHS, ORR), and Isabel M. Estrada, Ph.D. (Public Information Officer)
	Staff: Kate Wolff (Special Advisor, ACF), Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)
1:15pm ET	DEPART DELPHI FACILITY EN ROUTE TO DONNA
12:15pm CDT	FACILITY (CBP)
	Location: 1414 South FM493, Donna, TX 78537
1:30pm – 3:00pm ET	DONNA FACILITY (CBP) TOUR
12:30pm – 2:00pm CDT	Location: 1414 South FM493, Donna, TX 78537
	Participants: Congressman Vicente Gonzalez, Maria Sachetti (Washington Post Reporter), Chief Patrol Agent Brian Hastings, XO Oscar Escamilla, and Abelino Reyna (A – PAIC)
	Staff: Kate Wolff (Special Advisor, ACF), Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

3:00pm ET	DEPART DONNA FACILITY EN ROUTE TO LITTLE
2:00pm CDT	SCHOOOL HOUSE LEARNING CENTER
	Location: 100 Sandy St, San Juan TX 78589
3:30pm – 4:45pm ET	LITTLE SCHOOL HOUSE LEARNING CENTER VISIT
2:30pm – 3:45pm CDT	Location: 100 Sandy St, San Juan TX 78589
	Participants: Macarena Chavez (Director/Owner), Yuliana Brambila (Director, Little Schoolhouse 2), Sonia Campos (Assistant Director of Academics), Yvette Mancillas (Principal at PSJA Early Start Pre-K School with the Pharr San Juan Alamo Independent School District), Maricela Cortez (Early Childhood Program Director for Pharr San Juan Alamo Independent School District), Valentin Guerra (Texas School Ready Project Coach), Mary Peña (Founder/President of El Valle Child Development Professionals Association), and Sandra Solis (Manager of Child Care Quality Initiatives for C2 Global Professional Services)
	Staff: Kate Wolff (Special Advisor, ACF), Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA), Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)
4:45pm – 5:05pm ET	1:1 DEBRIEF WITH MARIA SACHETTI, WAPO
3:45pm – 4:05pm CDT	REPORTER
	Location: Holding space at Little School Housing Learning Center
	Participants: Maria Sachetti (Washington Post Reporter)
	Staff: Luisana Perez (Press Secretary)
5:05pm ET	DEPART SITE LITTLE SCHOOOL HOUSE LEARNING
4:05pm CDT	CENTER EN ROUTE TO MFE
6:45pm ET	WHEELS UP MFE EN ROUTE TO DEN (DENVER)
5:45pm CDT	

12:00am ET

APPROX. ARRIVAL AT DEN

10:00pm MDT

12:30am ET (Fri. 6/18)

DEPART DEN EN ROUTE TO RON

10:30pm MDT

Location: Grand Hyatt Denver, 1750 Welton St, Denver, CO
80202

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10:00am ET HOLD: PRESS CALL

8:00am MT

10:45am ET PRESS CALL ENDS

8:45am MT

10:45am ET DEPART RON EN ROUTE TO COLORADO STATE

8:45am MT CAPITOL

Location: Colorado State Capitol, 200 East Colfax Avenue,
Denver, CO 80203

10:45am – 11:00am ET PREP FOR MEETING WITH GOVERNOR POLIS

8:45am – 9:00am MT Location: Conference line

Participants: Marvin Figueroa, Director of Intergovernmental and
External Affairs

11:00am – 11:30am ET 1:1 MEETING WITH GOVERNOR POLIS

**9:00am – 9:30am MT Location: Colorado State Capitol, 200 E. Colfax Avenue, Denver,
CO 80203**

Participants: Governor Polis

11:30am ET	DEPART CAPITOL EN ROUTE TO CENTER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH
9:30am MT	Location: 3350 Hudson Street, Denver CO 80207
12:00pm – 1:15pm ET	CENTER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH
10:00am – 11:15am MT	Location: 3350 Hudson Street, Denver CO 80207
	Participants: Senator Michael Bennet, Senator John Hickenlooper, Representative Diana DeGette, Deidre Johnson (CEO and Executive Director of the Center for African American Health), Paula Brown (Chief Operating Officer of the Center for African American Health), and Thelma Craig (Co-Founder and Chair of the Board of Directors for the Colorado Black Health Collaborative)
	Staff: John Hannigan (Acting Regional Director/Regional Administrator, CMS), Sally Abbott (Regional Health Administrator, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health), and Krista Morine (Executive Assistant, Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs)
1:15pm ET	HOLD
11:15am MT	
2:00pm ET	DEPART CENTER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH EN ROUTE TO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY OF DENVER
12:00pm MT	Location: 890 Auraria Pkwy Denver, CO 80204
2:35pm – 3:35pm ET	METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY OF DENVER VISIT
12:35pm – 1:35pm MT	Location: 890 Auraria Pkwy Denver, CO 80204
	Participants: Senator John Hickenlooper, Dr. Alfred Tatum (Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs), Dr. Rebecca Trammell (Interim Dean, College of Health and Applied Sciences), Dr. Hope Szypulski (Associate Dean, College of Health and Applied Sciences), Dr. Emily Matuszewicz (Health Institute

Director of Development and Partnerships), Dr. Dawn Matera Bassett (Principal Investigator, HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training for Professionals), Susie Ryder (Director of Undergraduate and Graduate Field Education & Faculty for HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training), Lori Darnel (Assistant Professor & Faculty for HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training), Dr. Jess Retrum (Chair of Department of Social Work, Associate Professor, and HRSA Evaluator), Judge Brian Bowen (Field Placement Supervisor), Sarah Murray (Field Placement Supervisor), Enid Nieves (Field Placement Supervisor), Emily Gamm (Field Placement Supervisor), Linda Medina Martinez (HRSA BHWET Scholarship Alum), and Aubry Leon (HRSA BHWET Scholarship Alum)

Staff: John Hannigan (Acting Regional Director/Regional Administrator, CMS), Nick Zucconi (HRSA Regional Administrator), Dylan Kintish (Regional Outreach Specialist, Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs), and Krista Morine (Executive Assistant, Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs)

3:35pm ET

DEPART METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY OF DENVER EN

1:35pm MT

ROUTE TO LATINO VACCINE CONFIDENCE EVENT

Location: Chambers Plaza, 15200 E. Colfax Ave, Aurora, CO 80011

4:05pm – 5:05pm ET

LATINO VACCINE CONFIDENCE EVENT

2:05pm – 3:05pm MT

Location: Chambers Plaza, 15200 E. Colfax Ave, Aurora, CO 80011

Participants: Senator John Hickenlooper, Representative Jason Crow, Representative Ed Perlmutter, Representative Diana DeGette, and Governor Jared Polis

Staff: John Hannigan (Acting Regional Director/Regional Administrator, CMS)

9:00pm ET DEPART EN ROUTE TO DEN

7:00pm MT

10:30pm ET WHEELS UP IN DEN TO SMF

8:30pm MT

12:00am ET (Sat, 6/19) APPROX. WHEELS DOWN IN SMF

10:00pm PT

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Secretary Xavier Becerra – Schedule

Monday, June 28th, 2021

8:30am ET APPROX. DEPART RON EN ROUTE TO DFW
7:30am CT (Dallas Airport)

8:30am – 9:00am ET PREPARATION FOR FT. BLISS VISIT
7:30am – 8:00am MT Location: Conference line in vehicle

Staff: Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor), Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative), Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), Joo Chang (Acting Assistant Secretary, ACF), Mary Wakefield (Counselor to the Secretary), Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA), and others TBD

10:00am – 11:45am ET WHEELS UP IN DFW TO ELP (El Paso)
9:00am – 10:45am CT

11:45am ET APPROX. ARRIVAL TO ELP
9:45am MT

12:00pm – 12:15pm ET TRAVEL FROM ELP TO FT. BLISS
10:00am – 10:55am CT

12:15pm ET APPROX. ARRIVAL TO FT. BLISS
10:15am MT

12:15pm – 12:30pm ET HOLD FOR COVID-19 TESTING
10:15am – 10:30am MT

12:30pm – 12:45pm ET

MEET AND GREET WITH CASEY FAMILY

10:30am – 10:45am MT

FOUNDATION

Location: Fort Bliss/ 505 Pershing Road/ El Paso, TX 79916

Participants: William Caine Bell (President and CEO, Casey Family Programs), David Bradley Sanders (Executive Vice President for Systems Improvement, Casey Family Programs), Ann Silverberg Williamson (Coordinated Care and Crisis Response Lead, Casey Family Programs), Lisa Hamilton (President and Chief Executive Officer, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), Sandra Gasca-Gonzalez (Vice President, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), Felipe Franco (Senior Fellow for Older Youth Practice, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), and Sarah Morris-Compton (Senior Associate, The Annie E. Casey Foundation)

Staff: Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor) and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

12:45pm – 1:45pm ET

TOUR OF FT. BLISS

10:45am – 11:45am MT

Location: Fort Bliss/ 505 Pershing Road/ El Paso, TX 79916

Participants: William Caine Bell (President and CEO, Casey Family Programs), David Bradley Sanders (Executive Vice President for Systems Improvement, Casey Family Programs), Ann Silverberg Williamson (Coordinated Care and Crisis Response Lead, Casey Family Programs), Lisa Hamilton (President and Chief Executive Officer, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), Sandra Gasca-Gonzalez (Vice President, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), Felipe Franco (Senior Fellow for Older Youth Practice, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), Sarah Morris-Compton (Senior Associate, The Annie E. Casey Foundation), RADM Sean Boyd (Ft. Bliss Site Lead, on detail from the FDA), Sara Newman, ORR EIS at Ft. Bliss Deputy Site Lead, on detail from National Parks Service), Amanda Miller, ORR Federal Field Specialist), Rafael Lopez (Ft. Bliss Case Management Lead, ORR Contract Staff), and Lorena Caplan (ORR EIS at Ft. Bliss PIO, on detail from NIH)

Staff: Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

1:45pm – 2:30pm ET

MEETING WITH SITE LEADERSHIP

11:45am – 12:30pm MT

Location: Fort Bliss/ 505 Pershing Road/ El Paso, TX 79916

Participants: Cindy Huang (Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF), RADM Sean Boyd (Ft. Bliss Site Lead, on detail from the FDA), Sara Newman (ORR EIS at Ft. Bliss Deputy Site Lead, on detail from National Parks Service), Amanda Miller, ORR Federal Field Specialist), Rafael Lopez (Ft. Bliss Case Management Lead, ORR Contract Staff), Lorena Caplan (ORR EIS at Ft. Bliss PIO, on detail from NIH), and Larry Handerhan (Chief of Staff, ACF)

Staff: Luisana Perez (Press Secretary), Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor), and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

2:30pm – 3:15pm ET

PRESS GAGGLE

12:30pm – 1:15pm MT

Participants: TBC

Staff: Luisana Perez (Press Secretary) and Laurence Wilson (Advance Representative)

3:15pm ET

DEPART FT. BLISS EN ROUTE TO ELP

1:15pm MT

4:44pm – 10:47pm ET

WHEELS UP ELP EN ROUTE TO DCA

2:44pm – 8:47pm MT

Note: Layover in Dallas

Flight change

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for
HHS SECRETARY
XAVIER BECERRA



Tuesday
6/29/21

Prepared by: Lizeth Zardeneta

Tuesday, June 29, 2021

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Tuesday, June 29th, 2021

9:40am – 10:00am ET

WEEKLY AMERICAN FAMILIES PLAN CABINET MEMBERS MEETING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Secretary Miguel Cardona, Secretary Tom Vilsack, Secretary Janet Yellen, Brian Deese (Director of the National Economic Council), Susan Rice (Domestic Policy Council, Director), Evan Ryan (White House Cabinet Secretary), Louisa Terrell (White House Director of Legislative Affairs), and Cecilia Rouse (Chair of the Council of Economic Advisers)

Staff: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

10:00am – 10:40am ET

BREAK

10:40am – 11:00am ET

PREP FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm, Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary), Angela Botticella (Chief of Staff, Office of the Deputy Secretary), Rachel Levine (Assistant Secretary for Health), Sarah Boateng (Chief of Staff, OASH), Miriam Delphin-Rittmon (Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use), Tom Coderre (Former Acting Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, SAMHSA Regional Administrator, Region 1), and Sonia Chessen (Chief of Staff, SAMHSA)

- 11:00am – 12:00pm ET BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING**
- Location: Zoom
- Participants: HHS Staff and Operating Division Leadership
- Staff: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), and Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary),
- 12:00pm – 12:30pm ET BREAK**
- 12:30pm – 1:00pm ET HOLD: OPERATION WARP SPEED BRIEFING**
- Location: In Person
- Participants: General Gustave Perna (Leading Officer for Operation Warp Speed), Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm, Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), and Dawn O’Connell (Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response)
- 1:00pm – 2:00pm ET MEDICARE PAYMENT RULES BRIEFING**
- Location: Zoom
- Participants: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Clare Pierce-Wrobel (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Perrie Briskin (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), Jennifer Friedman (Counselor to the Secretary), Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary), Chiquita Brooks-LaSure (CMS Administrator), Erin Richardson (Chief of Staff, CMS), Jon Blum (Principal Deputy Administrator, CMS), Erin Richardson (Chief of Staff, CMS), Liz Fowler (Director, CMS), and Karuna Seshasai (Executive Secretary)
- 2:00pm – 3:00pm ET WEEKLY STAKEHOLDERS MEETING: NON-PHYSICIAN PROVIDER GROUPS**
- Location: Zoom
- Participants: Jon Fanning (CEO, American Association of Nurse Practitioners), Lisa Gables (CEO, American Academy of Physician Assistants), Dr. Randall Moore (CEO, American Association of Nurse Anesthetists), Dr. Scott Knoer (CEO and Executive VP, American Pharmacists Association), Dr. Paul Abramowitz (CEO, American Society of Health-System Pharmacists), Douglas Hoey

(CEO, National Community Pharmacists Association), and Katrina Holland (CEO, American College of Nurse-Midwives)

Staff: Carrie Pugh (Director of External Affairs) and Marvin Figueroa (Director, Intergovernmental and External Affairs)

3:00pm – 3:10pm ET

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING DEBRIEF

Location: Zoom

Participants: Carrie Pugh (Director of External Affairs (IEA) and Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA)

3:10pm – 3:30pm ET

BREAK

3:30pm – 4:00pm ET

DAILY WITH DEPSEC ANDREA PALM

Location: Zoom

Participants: Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm and Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

4:00pm – 4:15pm ET

BREAK

4:15pm – 5:00pm ET

BREAK

5:00pm – 5:45pm ET

RETURN TO THE WORKPLACE BRIEFING

Staff: Zoom

Location: Cheryl Campbell (Assistant Secretary for Administration), Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm, Julie Murphy (EEO Director, ASA), Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Anne Reid (Deputy Chief of Staff), Kristin Avery (White House Liaison), and Shannon Myricks (Deputy White House Liaison)

5:45pm – 6:00pm ET

BREAK

6:00pm – 6:30pm ET

PREPARATION FOR MEMBER CALLS

Location: Conference line

Participants: Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Arielle Woronoff (Director of Legislation, CMS), and Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary)

6:30pm – 7:00pm ET

PREPARATION FOR HEAD START EVENT

Location: Zoom

Participants: Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Andres Arguello (Policy Advisor to the Secretary), and Dr. Bernardine Futrell (Office of Head Start Director, ACF)

Note: Materials were shared with you for preview on June 24th.

7:00pm – 7:30pm ET

CABINET AFFAIRS MEETING: CONVERSATION WITH HISTORIAN JON MEACHAM

Location: Zoom

Participants: Cabinet Secretaries, Chiefs of Staff, and Jon Meacham

Staff: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

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Wednesday, June 30th, 2021

8:30am ET

DEPART HOME EN ROUTE TO HEAD START EVENT

Location: Martha's Table Headquarters at The Commons
2375 Elvans Rd. SE Washington, DC 20020

9:00am – 10:00am ET

HEAD START ARP FUNDING EVENT

Location: Martha's Table Headquarters at The Commons
2375 Elvans Rd. SE Washington, DC 20020

Participants: Dr. Bernadine Futrell (Director, Office of Head Start), Brenda Hewitt (Regional Program Manager, Office of Head Start), Tiffany Williams (Chief Program Officer and 30+ year educator, Martha's Table), Mireille Lopez-Humes (Deputy Chief Program Officer and 20+ year educator, Martha's Table), and Johanna Williams (Special Advisor and Event Coordinator, Martha's Table)

Staff: Alia Schechter (Special Assistant to the Secretary) and Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary)

10:00am ET

DEPART EVENT EN ROUTE TO HHS

10:00am – 10:30am ET

BI-WEEKLY COVID-19 BRIEFING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Dawn O'Connell (Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response), AJ Pearlman (Chief of Staff for COVID Response), Ian Sams (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs – COVID Response), and Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

10:30am – 11:00am ET

WEEKLY COUNSELORS CHECK-IN

Location: Zoom

Participants: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Anne Reid (Deputy Chief of Staff), Sarah Despres (Counselor to the Secretary), Rachel Pryor (Counselor to the Secretary), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Melanie Fontes Rainer (Counselor to the Secretary), Stephen Cha (Counselor to the Secretary), Jennifer Friedman (Counselor to the Secretary), Steven Lopez (Counselor to the Secretary), Perrie Briskin (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Clare Pierce-Wrobel (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Andres Arguello (Policy Advisor), Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Marvin Figueroa (Director, Intergovernmental and External Affairs), and Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA)

11:00am – 11:30am ET

BREAK

11:30am – 12:00pm

DAILY UC CORE MEETING

Location: Zoom

Participants: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), Anne Reid (Deputy Chief of Staff), Josie Villanueva (Counselor to the Secretary), Mary Wakefield (Counselor to the Secretary), Jeff Hild (Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Marvin Figueroa (Intergovernmental and External Affairs Director), Perrie Briskin (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Mark Weber (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs), Paul Rodriguez (Deputy General Counsel), Cindy Huang (Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF), Clare Pierce-Wrobel (Senior Advisor to the Chief of Staff), Cheryl Campbell (Assistant Secretary for Administration), Dr. Vivek Murthy (U.S. Surgeon General), Kimberly Espinosa (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation), Catherine McLean (Chief Medical Officer, CDC), Patrick Hernandez (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASPR), Michael Smith (NDMS Director, ASPR), Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor, ACF), Erin Fowler (Management Analyst, HRSA), Joel Nelson (Supervisor Program Management Officer, ASPR), Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA), and Norris Cochran (Deputy Assistant Secretary, ASFR)

12:00pm – 1:00pm ET

IMMIGRATION SMALL GROUP PRINCIPALS COMMITTEE

Location: Zoom

Participants: Ambassador Susan Rice, Esther Olavarria (Deputy Director of the Domestic Policy Council for Immigration), Shalanda Young (Director, OMB), Dana Remus (White House Counsel), and Jennifer Sokoler (Associate White House Counsel)

Staff: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff), JooYeun Chang (Acting Assistant Secretary, ACF), Mary Wakefield (Counselor to the Secretary), and Kate Wolff (Senior Advisor, ACF)

1:00pm – 1:30pm ET

BREAK

1:30pm – 1:45pm ET

CALL WITH CWA PRESIDENT CHRIS SHELTON

Location: Conference call

Participants: Chris Shelton (CWA President) and Jody Calemine (Chief of Staff & Counsel)

Staff: Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff) and Marvin Figueroa (Director, IEA)

1:45pm – 2:00pm ET

BREAK

2:00pm – 2:30pm ET

DAILY CHECK-IN WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY ANDREA PALM

Location: Zoom

Participants: Deputy Secretary Andrea Palm and Sean McCluskie (Chief of Staff)

2:30pm – 2:40pm ET

PREPARATION FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES

Location: Call

Participants: Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA)

2:40pm – 3:00pm ET

THE NEW YORK TIMES INTERVIEW

Location: Call

Participants: Eileen Sullivan (Reporter, The New York Times)

Staff: Sarah Lovenheim (ASPA)

3:00pm – 3:15pm ET

**RECORD REMARKS FOR THE UN GENERATION
EQUALITY FORUM**

Location: HHS Studio

Staff: TBD

3:15pm ET

DEPART HHS EN ROUTE TO DCA

4:45pm – 12:43am ET

WHEELS UP DCA EN ROUTE TO TUL (TULSA, OK)

3:45pm – 11:43pm CT

Note: Layover and flight change in ORD (Chicago, IL)