The Department of Health and Human **Services** (HHS) oversees a number of agencies and offices, including:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC provides direction in the prevention and control of diseases and other preventable conditions, and responding to public health emergencies.

Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The FDA ensures human and animal drugs, biological products, and medical devices are safe and effective, along with having oversight of food and electronic products that emit radiation.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS). This agency has oversight of Medicare, the federal portion of the Medicaid program, and State Children's Health Insurance Program, the Health Insurance Marketplace. Often sets tone for private insurers.

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) The AHRQ's mission is to produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable, and affordable, and to make sure that the evidence is understood and used.

National Institutes of Health (NIH). The NIH supports biomedical and behavioral research within the United States and abroad, conducts its own research, trains researchers, and promotes collecting and sharing medical knowledge.