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NAPH Supports Renomination of Marilyn Tavenner as CMS Administrator

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WASHINGTON – "NAPH supports the renomination of Marilyn Tavenner as Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) administrator. We also commend the president for his commitment to stable leadership for programs that provide access to essential care services for millions of people.

"Ms. Tavenner has a long and distinguished background in health care and a particularly keen understanding of hospitals and health systems. We look forward to her confirmation and a continued productive working relationship with CMS."

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