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Ann Maxwell is Assistant Inspector General for Evaluations with the Office of Evaluation and Inspections (OEI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). She has been with OIG, in various roles, for 21 years.

OEI conducts national evaluations to provide HHS, Congress, and the public with timely, valuable, and reliable information on significant issues involving the numerous programs of HHS. These evaluations are objective, data-driven and evidence-based and focus on preventing fraud, waste, and abuse and promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in HHS programs. This work helps ensure the wellbeing of recipients served by these programs. Ms. Maxwell is responsible for managing multiple subject-matter portfolios, including public health, Medicaid, food and drug safety, emergency preparedness, prescription drugs, and the safety of children. Ms. Maxwell also oversees the State Medicaid Fraud Control Units, which investigate and prosecute providers for Medicaid fraud as well as for patient abuse and neglect.

Ms. Maxwell has focused significant efforts on evaluating prescription drug benefits under Medicare, Medicaid, and the 340B Drug Pricing Program. Under her direction, evaluations of Medicaid drug pricing contributed to significant changes in the way Medicaid reimburses for prescription drugs. Another body of evaluation work resulted in strengthened oversight of the 340B Drug Pricing Program. She also directed sophisticated data analytic work evaluating the opioid crisis, including inappropriate prescribing and utilization as well as the availability of treatment. Most recently, Ms. Maxwell has directed a multidisciplinary team in reviewing the Unaccompanied Alien Children program. This work covers a broad variety of health and safety issues, including the background screening of facility staff that work with children, the challenges care facilities face in ensuring children are safe, and the physical security of the care facilities. This work also examines challenges ORR care provider facilities face in meeting children's physical and mental health care needs.

Ms. Maxwell's work has received numerous awards, including Bronze Medal for Exemplary Leadership, the Excellence in Program Evaluation Award, and the Award for Excellence in Evaluation granted by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. In addition, Ms. Maxwell was awarded HHS-OIG's highest leadership award, the Thomas Morris Award, in March 2019, recognizing her long record of achievement in OIG and her leadership on a variety of important and high-profile projects impacting Department and national discussions.

Ms. Maxwell received a B.A. in Sociology and Economics from Kalamazoo College. She also holds a master's degree from the University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration, where her studies focused on public policy and program evaluation.