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Dr. J. Nadine Gracia is the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Trust for America's Health, a nonprofit, nonpartisan, public health policy, research, and advocacy organization in Washington, DC that promotes optimal health for every person and community and that makes the prevention of illness and injury a national priority. She has extensive leadership and management experience in federal government, the nonprofit sector, professional associations, and academia.

Prior to joining Trust for America's Health, Dr. Gracia served in the Obama Administration as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health and Director of the Office of Minority Health at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). In that capacity, she directed departmental policies and programs to end health disparities and advance health equity. She provided executive leadership on administration priorities including the Affordable Care Act and My Brother's Keeper, an initiative to address persistent opportunity gaps facing boys and young men of color and to ensure all youth can reach their full potential.

Previously, she served as Chief Medical Officer in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health at HHS, where her portfolio included adolescent health, emergency preparedness, environmental health and climate change, global health, and the White House Council on Women and Girls. Prior to that role, she was appointed as a White House Fellow at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and worked in the Office of the First Lady on the development of the *Let's Move!* initiative to solve childhood obesity.

Dr. Gracia earned a Bachelor of Arts in French from Stanford University, a medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, and a Master of Science in Clinical Epidemiology from the University of Pennsylvania. She completed pediatrics residency at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh and later was a clinical instructor and research fellow at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, where she conducted research on community risk factors for violence. She is active in many professional and civic organizations, including the Aspen Global Leadership Network, the Dean's Council at the University of Maryland School of Public Health, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.