
Christi A. Grimm

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The Honorable Christi A. Grimm was sworn in as the sixth Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on February 22, 2022, following her nomination by the President and confirmation by the U.S. Senate. As the head of the HHS Office of Inspector General (OIG), she leads an independent and objective organization of more than 1,600 auditors, evaluators, investigators, data analysts, attorneys, and management professionals who carry out OIG's mission to protect the integrity of HHS programs as well as the health and welfare of the people they serve. Ms. Grimm is responsible for the oversight of more than 100 programs administered by HHS agencies such as the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Administration for Children and Families, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Food and Drug Administration, and National Institutes of Health. Collectively, taxpayers usually devote approximately \$1.5 trillion a year to these programs. In 2021, including COVID-19 relief funding, HHS was responsible for a total of \$2.4 trillion in spending. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, HHS-OIG is responsible for oversight of the HHS-COVID-19 response and relief efforts. Ms. Grimm represents HHS-OIG on the Pandemic Response Accountability Committee (PRAC) and leads PRAC's Health Care Subgroup.

Beginning in January 2020 until her appointment as Inspector General, Ms. Grimm served as Principal Deputy Inspector General Performing Duties of the Inspector General.

Ms. Grimm brings two decades of leadership and expertise in providing oversight of health and human services programs. She is a leading expert in program integrity issues related to HHS programs, with particular emphasis on health and safety in care provided in home and community-based settings, in hospitals and nursing homes, and in facilities serving unaccompanied children under HHS's Office of Refugee Resettlement. Ms. Grimm regularly engages with Government partners, national professional associations, and the private sector. She elevates accessibility and understanding of OIG work through articles on a range of topics, including medical identity theft, deleterious effects of elevated risk scores in Medicare managed care, and commercial influences on electronic health records. Ms. Grimm is a frequent speaker at educational programs and before Congress and the media.

Ms. Grimm began her career with OIG in 1999 as an evaluator in OIG's Office of Evaluation and Inspections and later served in a variety of management roles, including Chief of Staff and Deputy Inspector General for the Immediate Office. As an evaluator, she designed and conducted groundbreaking work to improve quality and safety in hospitals, stop unqualified providers from enrolling in Medicare and Medicaid, and improve the process for appealing Medicare payment decisions.

Ms. Grimm holds a Master of Public Administration from New York University and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Colorado, Denver. She is a graduate of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Senior Managers in Government. Ms. Grimm has received the Secretary's Award for Excellence in Management and the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency Award for Excellence in Management.

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