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**Biography**

Mary Denigan-Macauley is a Director of Public Health in the Health Care Team for the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), a nonpartisan and independent investigative arm of the U.S. Congress. She joined GAO in 2001, managing a diverse portfolio related to science and infectious zoonotic diseases. Her current work evaluates the effectiveness of federal programs to promote and ensure public health. Areas of focus under Mary's direction include HHS leadership and coordination of public health emergencies; biodefense; FDA oversight of drug, biologic, and device manufacturing and safety; antimicrobial resistance; and the biosafety and biosecurity of select agents and other high-risk pathogens. Before joining GAO, Mary taught public policy for Sam Houston State University in Texas and Troy University in Japan and was visiting professor at the Georgian Institute of Public Affairs in Tbilisi, Georgia, promoting sound and ethical governance. Graduating from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor of Science, she attained a Master of Science from the University of Arizona and earned her Ph.D. in Public Administration from Arizona State University.