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## In other news

CMS has its first permanent Administrator in seven years. The Senate confirmed former nurse and hospital executive **Marilyn Tavenner** in a 91-to-7 vote.

Physician advocacy groups praised the announcement and had positive things to say about Tavenner's work thus far with the agency. "As acting administrator, she has demonstrated her ability to be a capable and effective leader," said AMA President **Jeremy Lazarus, MD** in a May 15 statement. "We look forward to continuing to work with the administrator to strengthen the Medicare system to improve health outcomes for patients and the practice environment for physicians."