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Summary

- (1) 14 amendments.
- (2) 0 automated notifications.

Current Law(s) being amended

- [1. Indian Health Care Improvement Act](#)
- [2. Title 5 of the United States Code](#)

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1. Indian Health Care Improvement Act

[As Amended Through P.L. 117–58, Enacted November 15,
2021]

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TITLE VI—ORGANIZATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS

Sec. 601. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AS AN AGENCY OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

(a) Establishment.—

(1) **In general.**— In order to more effectively and efficiently carry out the responsibilities, authorities, and functions of the United States to provide health care services to Indians and Indian ~~tribes~~ *Tribes*, as are or may be hereafter provided by Federal statute or treaties, there is established within the Public Health Service of the Department the Indian Health Service.

(2) **Director.**— The Service shall be administered by ~~a Director~~ *an Assistant Secretary for Indian Health (in this section referred to as the ‘Assistant Secretary’)*, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. ~~The Director shall report~~ *The Assistant Secretary shall report directly* to the Secretary. Effective with respect to an individual appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, after January 1, 2008, the term of service of ~~the Director~~ *the Assistant Secretary* shall be 4 years. ~~A Director~~ *An Assistant Secretary* may serve more than 1 term.

(3) **Incumbent.**— The individual serving in the position of Director of the Service on the day before the ~~date of enactment of the Indian Health Care Improvement Reauthorization and Extension Act of 2009~~ shall serve as Director *date of enactment of the Stronger Engagement for Indian Health Needs Act of 2025 shall serve as Assistant Secretary*.

(4) **Advocacy and consultation.**— The position of ~~Director~~ *Assistant Secretary* is established to, in a manner consistent with the government-to-government relationship between the United States and Indian Tribes—

- (A) facilitate advocacy for the development of appropriate Indian health policy; and
- (B) promote consultation on matters relating to Indian health.

(5) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY.— The Assistant Secretary, with the approval of the Secretary, may appoint a Deputy Assistant Secretary and may employ and prescribe the functions of such officers and employees, including attorneys, as are necessary to administer the activities of the Service.

(b) **Agency.**— The Service shall be an agency within the Public Health Service of the Department, and shall not be an office, component, or unit of any other agency of the Department.

(c) Duties.— The ~~Director~~ *Assistant Secretary* shall—

(1) perform all functions that were, on the day before the ~~date of enactment of the Indian Health Care Improvement Reauthorization and Extension Act of 2009~~ *date of enactment of the Stronger Engagement for Indian Health Needs Act of 2025*, carried out by or under the direction of the individual serving as Director of the Service on that day;

(2) perform all functions of the Secretary relating to the maintenance and operation of hospital and health facilities for Indians and the planning for, and provision and utilization of, health services for Indians, including by ensuring that all agency directors, managers, and chief executive officers have appropriate and adequate training, experience, skill levels, knowledge, abilities, and education (including continuing training requirements) to competently fulfill the duties of the positions and the mission of the Service;

(3) administer all health programs under which health care is provided to Indians based upon their status as Indians which are administered by the Secretary, including programs under

(A) this Act;

(B) the Act of November 2, 1921¹⁸ (25 U.S.C. 13);

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This Act is commonly referred to as the “Snyder Act”, which is included in this compilation.

(C) the Act of August 5, 1954¹⁹ (42 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.);

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This Act is commonly referred to as the “Transfer Act”, which is included in this compilation.

(D) the Act of August 16, 1957 (42 U.S.C. 2005 et seq.); and

(E) the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.);

(4) administer all scholarship and loan functions carried out under title I;

(5) directly advise the Secretary concerning the development of all policy- and budget-related matters affecting Indian health;

(6) collaborate with the Assistant Secretary for Health concerning appropriate matters of Indian health that affect the agencies of the Public Health Service;

(7) advise each Assistant Secretary of the Department concerning matters of Indian health with respect to which that Assistant Secretary has authority and responsibility;

(8) advise the heads of other agencies and programs of the Department concerning matters of Indian health with respect to which those heads have authority and responsibility;

(9) coordinate the activities of the Department concerning matters of Indian health; and

(10) perform such other functions as the Secretary may designate.

(d) Authority.—

(1) **In general.**— The Secretary, acting through the ~~Director~~ Assistant Secretary, shall have the authority—

(A) except to the extent provided for in paragraph (2), to appoint and compensate employees for the Service in accordance with title 5, United States Code;

(B) to enter into contracts for the procurement of goods and services to carry out the functions of the Service; and

(C) to manage, expend, and obligate all funds appropriated for the Service.

(2) **Personnel actions.**— Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of section 12 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 986; 25 U.S.C. 472), shall apply to all personnel actions taken with respect to new positions created within the Service as a result of its establishment under subsection (a).

(e) REFERENCES.— Any reference to the Director of the Indian Health Service in any Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or in any document of or relating to the Director of the Indian Health Service, shall be deemed to refer to the Assistant Secretary.

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2. Title 5 of the United States Code

TITLE Title 5—GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION AND EMPLOYEES

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PART PART III—EMPLOYEES

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CHAPTER CHAPTER 53—PAY RATES AND SYSTEMS

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SUBCHAPTER SUBCHAPTER II—EXECUTIVE SCHEDULE

PAY RATES

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§5315. Positions at level IV

Level IV of the Executive Schedule applies to the following positions, for which the annual rate of basic pay shall be the rate determined with respect to such level under chapter 11 of title 2, as adjusted by section 5318 of this title:

- Deputy Administrator of General Services.
- Associate Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
- Assistant Administrators, Agency for International Development (6).
- Regional Assistant Administrators, Agency for International Development (4).
- Assistant Secretaries of Agriculture (3).
- Assistant Secretaries of Commerce (11).
- Assistant Secretaries of Defense (19).
- Assistant Secretaries of the Air Force (5).
- Assistant Secretaries of the Army (5).
- Assistant Secretaries of the Navy (4).

~~Assistant Secretaries of Health and Human Services (6)~~ Assistant Secretaries of Health and Human Services (7).

Assistant Secretaries of the Interior (6).
 Assistant Attorneys General (11).
 Assistant Secretaries of Labor (10), one of whom shall be the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.
 Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor.
 Assistant Secretaries of State (24) and 4 other State Department officials to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.
 Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury (10).
 Members, United States International Trade Commission (5).
 Assistant Secretaries of Education (10).
 General Counsel, Department of Education.
 Director of Civil Defense, Department of the Army.
 Deputy Director of the Office of Emergency Planning.
 Deputy Director of the Office of Science and Technology.
 Deputy Director of the Peace Corps.
 Assistant Directors of the Office of Management and Budget (3).
 General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.
 General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.
 General Counsel of the Department of Defense.
 General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services.
 Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.
 Solicitor of the Department of Labor.
 General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board.
 General Counsel of the Department of the Treasury.
 First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of Washington.
 Members, Council of Economic Advisers.
 Members, Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of Washington.
 Members, Federal Communications Commission.
 Member, Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
 Directors, Federal Housing Finance Board.
 Members, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
 Members, Federal Trade Commission.
 Members, Surface Transportation Board.
 Members, National Labor Relations Board.
 Members, Securities and Exchange Commission.
 Members, Merit Systems Protection Board.
 Members, Federal Maritime Commission.
 Members, National Mediation Board.
 Members, Railroad Retirement Board.
 Director of Selective Service.
 Associate Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.
 Members, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (4).
 Director, Community Relations Service.
 Members, National Transportation Safety Board.
 General Counsel, Department of Transportation.
 Deputy Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration.
 Assistant Secretaries of Transportation (5).
 Deputy Federal Highway Administrator.
 Administrator of the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.
 Assistant Secretary for Science, Smithsonian Institution.

Assistant Secretary for History and Art, Smithsonian Institution.
 Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration.
 Assistant Secretaries of Housing and Urban Development (8).
 General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.
 Commissioner of Interama.
 Federal Insurance Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.
 Members, National Credit Union Administration Board (2).
 Members, Postal Regulatory Commission (4).
 Members, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.
 Deputy Under Secretaries of the Treasury (or Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury) (2).
 Members, Consumer Product Safety Commission (4).
 Members, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
 Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
 Director of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
 Director of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
 Executive Director for Operations, Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
 President, Government National Mortgage Association, Department of Housing and Urban Development.
 Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, the incumbent of which also serves as Deputy Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
 Director, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice.
 Assistant Secretaries of Energy (8).
 General Counsel of the Department of Energy.
 Administrator, Economic Regulatory Administration, Department of Energy.
 Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy.
 Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, Department of Energy.
 Director, Office of Science, Department of Energy.
 Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.
 Members, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission.
 President, National Consumer Cooperative Bank.
 Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority.
 Assistant Secretaries, Department of Homeland Security.
 Assistant Director for Cybersecurity, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency.
 Assistant Director for Infrastructure Security, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency.
 General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security.
 Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Department of Homeland Security.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Homeland Security.
 Deputy Director, Institute for Scientific and Technological Cooperation.
 Director of the National Institute of Justice.
 Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics.
 Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration.
 Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances, Environmental Protection Agency.
 Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency.
 Assistant Administrators, Environmental Protection Agency (8).
 Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense.
 Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Department of Defense.
 Special Representatives of the President for arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament matters, Department of State.
 Ambassadors at Large.
 Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

Assistant Secretaries, Department of Veterans Affairs (7).
 General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.
 Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services
 Chairman, Board of Veterans' Appeals.
 Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.
 Director, United States Marshals Service.
 Chairman, United States Parole Commission.
 Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.
 Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Agriculture.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Energy.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Health and Human Services.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Interior.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Justice.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of State.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Transportation.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.
 Chief Financial Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.
 Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.
 Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
 Commissioner, Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation.
 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.
 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.
 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.
 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.
 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).
 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.
 General Counsel of the Department of the Army.
 General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.
 General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.
 Liaison for Community and Junior Colleges, Department of Education.
 Director of the Office of Educational Technology.
 Director of the International Broadcasting Bureau.
 The Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Agriculture.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Commerce.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense (unless the official designated as the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense is an official listed under section 5312, 5313, or 5314 of this title).
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Education.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Energy.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Health and Human Services.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of the Interior.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Justice.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Labor.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of State.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Transportation.

Chief Information Officer, Department of the Treasury.
 Chief Information Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.
 Chief Information Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.
 Chief Information Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
 Chief Information Officer, Agency for International Development.
 Chief Information Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency.
 Chief Information Officer, General Services Administration.
 Chief Information Officer, National Science Foundation.
 Chief Information Officer, Nuclear Regulatory Agency.
 Chief Information Officer, Office of Personnel Management.
 Chief Information Officer, Small Business Administration.
 General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.
 Principal Deputy Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration.
 Additional Deputy Administrators of the National Nuclear Security Administration (3), but if the
 Deputy Administrator for Naval Reactors is an officer of the Navy on active duty, (2).
 Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United
 States Patent and Trademark Office.
 General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.
 Chief Medical Officer, Department of Homeland Security.
 Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center.

§5316. Positions at level V

Level V of the Executive Schedule applies to the following positions, for which the annual rate of basic pay shall be the rate determined with respect to such level under chapter 11 of title 2, as adjusted by section 5318 of this title:

Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of the Interior.
 Administrator of the National Capital Transportation Agency.
 Associate Administrators of the Small Business Administration (4).
 Associate Administrators, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (7).
 Associate Deputy Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
 Deputy Associate Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
 Archivist of the United States.
 Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Administration.
 Assistant Attorney General for Administration.
 Assistant and Science Adviser to the Secretary of the Interior.
 Chairman, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Department of Justice.
 Chairman of the Renegotiation Board.
 Chairman of the Subversive Activities Control Board.
 Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.
 Commissioner, Federal Acquisition Service, General Services Administration.
 Director, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.
 Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.
 Commissioners, Indian Claims Commission (5).
 Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration.
 Commissioner of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.
 Commissioner of Vocational Rehabilitation, Department of Health and Human Services.
 Commissioner of Welfare, Department of Health and Human Services.
 Director, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior.
 Director, Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.
 Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury.
 Associate Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.
 Associate Director for Volunteers, Peace Corps.

Associate Director for Program Development and Operations, Peace Corps.
 Assistants to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice (2).
 Assistant Directors, Office of Emergency Planning (3).
 Fiscal Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.
 General Counsel of the Agency for International Development.
 General Counsel of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
 General Counsel of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
 Manpower Administrator, Department of Labor.
 Members, Renegotiation Board.
 Members, Subversive Activities Control Board.
 Assistant Administrator of General Services.
 Director, United States Travel Service, Department of Commerce.
 Assistant Director (Program Planning, Analysis and Research), Office of Economic Opportunity.
 Deputy Director, National Security Agency.
 Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.
 Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.
 National Export Expansion Coordinator, Department of Commerce.
 Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights.
 Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Transportation.
 Director, United States National Museum, Smithsonian Institution.
 Director, Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, Smithsonian Institution.
 Administrator of the Environmental Science Services Administration.
 Associate Directors of the Office of Personnel Management (5).
 Assistant Federal Highway Administrator.
 Deputy Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.
 Deputy Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.
 Assistant Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administrator.
 Director, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, Department of Justice.
 Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation.
 General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.
 Executive Director, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.
 Additional Officers, Department of Energy (14).
 Additional officers, Nuclear Regulatory Commission (5).
 Assistant Administrator for Coastal Zone Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
 Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
 Assistant Administrators (3), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
 General Counsel, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
 Members, Federal Labor Relations Authority (2) and its General Counsel.
 Additional officers, Institute for Scientific and Technological Cooperation (2).
 Additional officers, Office of Management and Budget (6).
 Chief Scientist, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
~~Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.~~
 Commissioners, United States Parole Commission (8).
 Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth, and Families.
 Chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

Summary

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