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Administration for Community Living
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"For too long, too many Americans have faced the impossible choice between moving to an institution or living at home without the longterm services and supports they need. The goal of the new **Administration for Community Living** will be to help people with disabilities and older Americans live productive, satisfying lives." – Former Secretary Kathleen Sebelius

Overview

- This new HHS Operating Division brings together the Administration on Aging (AoA), the Office on Disability (OD) and the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD)
- This single agency is charged with developing policies and improving supports for seniors and people with disabilities.

Why is this important?

- The common interests of the aging and disability populations have been recognized at the local and state levels.
- The mechanisms for providing supports that facilitate community living have been brought together into agencies that serve both populations.
- Yet at the federal level, policy development, community outreach and program implementation related to aging and disability across the lifespan was fragmented across HHS.

Mission Statement

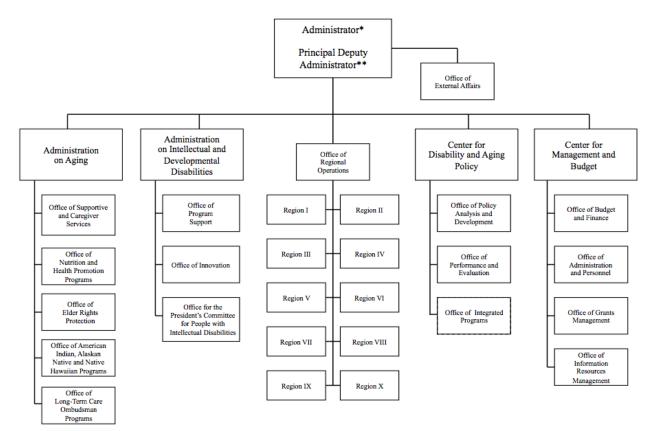
Mission: Maximize the independence, well-being, and health of older adults, people with disabilities, and their families and caregivers.

Vision Statement

Vision: ACL's vision is that all people, regardless of age and disability, live with dignity, make their own choices, and participate fully in society.

Organizational Structure

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING



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Questions?



