The Honorable Chiquita Brooks-LaSure
Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Speaker bio

Chiquita Brooks-LaSure is the Administrator for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), a federal agency which oversees the 3 Ms—Medicare, Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program, and the Health Insurance Marketplaces.

A former policy official and key player in guiding the Affordable Care Act through passage and implementation, Brooks-LaSure has dedicated her career—in the federal government, on Capitol Hill, and in the private sector—to ensuring all people can access high-quality, equitable health care.

Under Brooks-LaSure’s leadership, CMS oversees the healthcare coverage of more than 160 million people enrolled in the 3 Ms—nearly half the population of the United States. Brooks-LaSure’s foremost priority is improving the lives and safety of the people CMS serves.

She also leads CMS toward its vision of a healthcare system that puts people at the center of their care. As the country’s largest administrator of healthcare coverage—with its annual budget exceeding $1.3 trillion—CMS is at the forefront of transforming health care, driving innovations in health equity; affordability; maternity care; mental and behavioral health care; whole-person care; and pandemic response.

She received her A.B. from Princeton University and her Master’s degree in Public Policy from Georgetown University. She is married with one daughter.