

# **RADM Weahkee Confirmed by US Senate to be Director of the Indian Health Service**

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On April 21, 2020, a new Director of the Indian Health Service (IHS) was confirmed by voice vote in the Senate. The vote confirmed Rear Admiral Michael D. Weahkee, Zuni of New Mexico, to be Director of IHS, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), for a term of four years.

IHS has not had a Senate-confirmed Director since 2015. HHS Secretary Alex Azar first appointed RADM Weahkee in June 2017 as Acting IHS Director. President Trump nominated RADM Weahkee on October 22, 2019.

NCUIH sent a [letter](#) of support of the nomination of RADM Weahkee.