

# Renewal of Determination that a Public Health Emergency Exists

As a result of the continued consequences of the opioid crisis affecting our Nation, on this date and after consultation with public health officials as necessary, I, Alex M. Azar II, Secretary of Health and Human Services, pursuant to the authority vested in me under section 319 of the Public Health Service Act, do hereby renew, effective April 24, 2018, the October 26, 2017, determination by former Acting Secretary Eric D. Hargan, which he previously renewed effective January 24, 2018, that a public health emergency exists nationwide as a result of the consequences of the opioid crisis.

04/20/2018

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Alex M. Azar II