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AANS and CNS Statement on the Nomination of Rep. Tom Price to be HHS Secretary
Neurosurgeons Applaud Nomination and Urge for Swift Confirmation

Washington, DC—The American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) and Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) strongly support the nomination of Rep. Tom Price, MD (R-Ga.) to become the next Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and we urge the Senate to confirm him to this important position swiftly.

“Throughout his time in Congress, Dr. Price, an orthopaedic surgeon, has been a staunch advocate for the preservation of the doctor-patient relationship, a fierce protector of private practice, and a stalwart supporter of academic medicine,” remarked AANS president, Frederick A. Boop, MD, FAANS, a pediatric neurosurgeon from Memphis, Tenn. “As a practicing physician, he understands all aspects of the health care system, which is essential to run HHS effectively,” Dr. Boop added.

CNS president, Alan M. Scarrow, MD, JD, FAANS, a practicing neurosurgeon from Springfield, Mo., noted, “On behalf of organized neurosurgery we congratulate Dr. Price on his nomination, and we look forward to working with him upon his confirmation to create a health care delivery system that promotes high-quality, high-value, and better-coordinated care for our patients.”

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