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Admiral Brett Giroir is the 16th Assistant Secretary for Health in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He serves as the Secretary's principal public health and science advisor and is responsible for coordinating HHS's efforts across the Administration to fight America's opioid crisis. He also oversees the Office of the Surgeon General and the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps.

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Previously, Dr. Giroir has served in numerous leadership positions in the federal government and in academic institutions. Most notably, he was the first physician to serve as an office director at the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

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