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◆ **HHS Inspector General Daniel Levinson has resigned after 15 years on the job, effective May 31.** Principal Deputy Inspector General Joanne Chiedi, who “has worked shoulder to shoulder with Mr. Levinson for nine years and is prepared to advance OIG’s oversight mission aggressively in service of our public stakeholders,” will serve as acting Inspector General (IG) on June 1, OIG said in a statement. Former federal prosecutor James Sheehan, chief of the Charities Bureau for the New York State Attorney General, tells *RMC* that Levinson, who has been IG “under three very different presidents, always committed to the Inspector General’s two roles—first as an independent overseer of program integrity, second as an advocate for stewardship of funds and protection of beneficiaries. Dan combined these roles with respect for the work and the professionalism of the people responsible for making programs work—government employees and health care professionals. Dan has been a strong advocate and supporter of compliance programs and the role of compliance officers. We will miss his quotations from Dante and long-dead Romans in his public presentations, and his warmth and enthusiasm for the mission of the IG.”

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