

**Crapo Statement at Executive Session to Consider CMS Administrator**  
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**Washington, D.C.**--U.S. Senate Finance Committee Chairman Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) delivered the following remarks at an executive session to consider the nomination of Dr. Mehmet Oz to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

*As prepared for delivery:*

"We meet today to consider favorably reporting the nomination of Dr. Mehmet Oz to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

"As we have done with other nominees, the meeting this morning will provide members with the opportunity to make remarks on Dr. Oz's nomination. We will notify members of a time and location later today to conduct the vote.

"Dr. Oz has years of experience as an acclaimed physician and public health advocate. His background makes him uniquely qualified to manage the intricacies of CMS.

"At his hearing, Dr. Oz discussed his vision to ensure CMS provides Americans with access to superb care, especially our most vulnerable patients. I look forward to working with him, if confirmed, to accomplish this goal.

"I was also encouraged to hear that he will focus on modernizing federal health care programs, work to fix our broken clinician payment system and will partner with Congress to achieve pharmaceutical benefit manager reform.

"There is no doubt that Dr. Oz will work tirelessly to deliver much needed change at CMS. I will be voting in favor of his nomination, and I encourage my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to do the same."