UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

STATE OF NEW YORK; STATE OF WASHINGTON; STATE OF RHODE ISLAND; STATE OF ARIZONA; STATE OF CALIFORNIA; STATE OF COLORADO; STATE OF CONNECTICUT; STATE OF DELAWARE; THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA; STATE OF HAWAI'I; STATE OF ILLINOIS; STATE OF MAINE; STATE OF MARYLAND; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN; STATE OF MINNESOTA; STATE OF NEW JERSEY; STATE OF NEW MEXICO; STATE OF OREGON; STATE OF VERMONT; STATE OF WISCONSIN, Plaintiffs, v. ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR., in his official capacity as SECRETARY OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; SUSAN MONAREZ, in her official capacity as ACTING DIRECTOR, FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, PRINCIPAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION; CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION; MARTIN A. MAKARY in his official capacity as COMMISSIONER OF THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION; U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION; ANDREW	C.A. No. 25-cv-196-MRD-PAS

GRADISON, in his official capacity as ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; MARY LAZARE in her official capacity as PRINCIPAL DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING; ARTHUR KLEINSCHMIDT, in his official capacity as PRINCIPAL DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION; SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION,

Defendants.

ORDER

After careful consideration of the parties cross-motions for clarification of this Court's July 1, 2025 Memorandum and Order (ECF No. 73), the Court grants in part Defendants' Motion to Clarify the Order on Motion for Preliminary Injunction (ECF No. 75), and denies Plaintiffs' Cross-Motion to Clarify the Preliminary Injunction (ECF No. 83).

REVISED PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ORDER

For the reasons discussed in the July 1, 2025 Memorandum, the Court hereby orders that:

1. The States' Motion for a Preliminary Injunction (ECF No. 43) is GRANTED;

2. HHS and all other named defendants are ENJOINED from taking any actions to implement or enforce the planned RIFs or sub-agency restructuring announced in the March 27 Communiqué or set in motion after the Communiqué's release with respect to the following sub-agencies and programs, until further order of this Court:

(1) CTP; (2) OHS and OHS regional office staff; (3) CDC's components National Center for HIV, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and Tuberculosis Prevention (NCHHSTP), Division of Reproductive Health (DRH), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Office on Smoking and Health (OSH), National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), and National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD); and (4) ASPE's Division of Data and Technical Analysis (which updates the Federal Poverty Guidelines).

The actions enjoined by this order include but are not limited to:

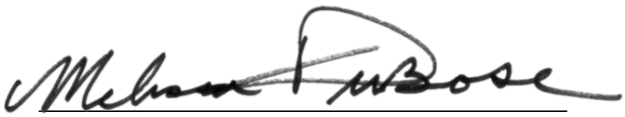
(a) any further execution of any existing RIF notices (including final separation for any employees previously notified of impending termination);

(b) issuance of any further RIF notices; and

(c) placement of additional employees on administrative leave.

3. This Order shall apply to the maximum extent provided for by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(d)(2) and 5 U.S.C. §§ 705 and 706.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Melissa R. DuBose
United States District Judge

August 12, 2025