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**Statement by Healthcare Association of New York State President Daniel Sisto  
On the Confirmation of Dr. Nirav Shah as Health Commissioner**

ALBANY, N.Y. — “The selection of Dr. Nirav Shah as Health Commissioner holds tremendous promise for all New Yorkers. Governor Cuomo has recognized the failure of addressing Medicaid spending growth with harmful across-the-board reimbursement cuts, and has called for a fundamental redesign of the Medicaid program. Dr. Shah’s experience and expertise will be powerful catalysts in this redesign effort. He is a leading academic, but just as importantly, he is a physician who has served in both rural and urban communities. He knows the fiscal challenges we face, but he also knows first hand how government policy can affect the availability and quality of care for everyday New Yorkers. With high hopes, we applaud his selection and confirmation.”

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