



*No Respect for Employees or Your Negotiated Workplace Rights and Benefits*  
**Secretary Azar Refuses NTEU Meeting**

Yesterday, HHS Secretary Alex Azar refused National President Tony Reardon's request to discuss what's behind management's proposal to eliminate workplace benefits like AWS and telework, and the negative impact it will have on employees and the department's mission.

His "scheduling officer" cited "scheduling conflicts" and referred President Reardon to the HHS bargaining team. That's right, the same individuals who have refused to explain to NTEU's team why HHS wants to eliminate these benefits.

This week, you have an opportunity to support NTEU as we send management a message, loud and clear, that we won't be quiet while the agency tries to steamroll your longstanding rights, benefits and protections.

Wear a sticker on this Friday's Shame on HHS Day, when President Reardon will hand-deliver the thousands of signatures on our petition. Add your name to the thousands on the petition, if you haven't already signed.

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"...to ensure that every federal employee is treated with dignity and respect."