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Norman "Ned" Sharpless, director of the National Cancer Institute, will lead US FDA as its acting commissioner when agency head Scott Gottlieb steps down next month. See what Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said about the appointment here.

"In a move to put into place a new Commissioner of Food and Drugs as soon as possible, I am pleased to announce that the current director of the National Cancer Institute, Dr. Norman 'Ned' Sharpless, will serve as Acting Commissioner of Food and Drugs, upon the conclusion of Commissioner [Scott] Gottlieb's incredibly successful tenure, ending in mid-April." –Alex Azar, secretary, US Health and Human Services

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