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Tom Corwin has been with the US Department of Education for more almost three decades. Since 1987, he has been the director of the division, in the Department's budget office, that handles the budget for most of the Department's elementary, secondary, vocational, and adult education programs (approximately 80 programs, with Fiscal Year 2008 funding of \$26 billion). He has also been heavily involved for many years in the Department's legislative development and analysis activities, and worked on the No Child Left Behind Act and on previous reauthorizations of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and other laws that authorize the Department's programs. In 1994, he developed the Department's proposal to create a charter schools program. More recently, he has been heavily involved in the Department's implementation of the Credit Enhancement for Charter Schools Facilities program and in the Department's work on Qualified Zone Activity Bonds (QZABs).

Although Tom has spent most of his career in the Department's budget office, he has also had temporary assignments in the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Office of Innovation and Improvement. During 1999 through 2002, he was an Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary and, for some months, the Acting Assistant Secretary in the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. In 2003 and 2004, he helped launch the new Office of Innovation and Improvement, where he served as Associate Deputy Under Secretary. That office administers the Department's charter school programs and other educational choice programs.

Tom earned his bachelor's degree at New College in Sarasota, Florida and a Master in Public Policy degree from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. He and his family live in Bethesda, Maryland.