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From July 2016 - January 2018, Cybele was vice president and head of policy at Sanofi, a global healthcare company focused on meeting patient needs through the development of innovative vaccine, biologic and pharmaceutical products. In this role, she led the development of global policy positions and principles that advanced Sanofi's strategic objectives, including improving access to care and health outcomes. She and her team also worked with internal and external colleagues around the world to support effective engagement and advocacy with key stakeholders, and she served on the stakeholder committee for the Sanofi's Corporate and Social Responsibility group.

During 2015-2016, she was an expert advisor and council member at GLG, a member of the International Advisory Council for APCO Public Affairs and a strategic advisor to selected clients. From 1995-2015, Cybele served in several senior professional roles in the United States Senate and House of Representatives, including 14 years as the Democratic staff director for the Subcommittee on Health and senior health advisor for the Committee on Ways & Means, four years as Senator Kennedy's deputy staff director for health on the Senate HELP Committee and two years as an advisor to former Democratic Leader Senator Tom Daschle. During her federal service, Cybele was at the center of virtually every major Medicare debate, had a leading role in the creation and enactment of the Affordable Care Act, health IT and comparative effectiveness research (CER) provisions of the Recovery Act and helped write many other laws affecting private health insurance and key federal health programs. Before moving to Congress, she was a social science research analyst at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

Cybele is a Fellow of the second class of the Aspen Institute's Health Innovators Fellowship and a member of the Aspen Global Leadership Network. She serves on the Policy Advisory Committee for the Medicare Rights Center and on the board of directors for the David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship, and is a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance. Cybele also recently served on the Steering Committee for Value-Based Health Care at the World Economic Forum. She received a master's degree from The Johns Hopkins University's Bloomberg School of Hygiene and Public Health, with an emphasis on health policy and a concentration in law, ethics, and policy, and a bachelor's degree in journalism from the School of Journalism at the University of Oregon.