



**JUNIOR OFFICER ADVISORY GROUP**  
**2011-2012 Voting Membership Biographies**



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2010-2012

I am entering my second year as voting member of the JOAG and co-chair of the Professional Development Committee.

I have been an active member of JOAG since 2009 and previously served as Chair to the JOAG Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Workgroup, whose mission is to help build the next generation of health care leaders through professional mentorship and exposure to the day-to-day activities being carried out by USPHS Commissioned Corps junior officers on behalf of the Federal government.

I was called to active duty as a Health Service Officer in April of 2009 and began my Commissioned Corps career with the Office of the Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps (OCVMRC) in the Office of the Surgeon General as a Program Officer. There I was responsible for helping to coordinate programmatic and operational activities in support of MRC units nationwide. In May, 2011, I joined the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as a Medicaid HIT Specialist. In this role I help develop, evaluate, and implement the Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program. On a day-to-day basis I serve as a liaison with the Office of the National Coordinator on Health Information Technology matters, as a HITECH liaison with CMS Regional Offices, and as a HITECH liaison with Accountable Care Organizations. In addition to supporting the HITECH team on other projects, I am the project officer for a contract that will evaluate how States are implementing Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs.

I earned a Bachelor degree from Rutgers University and an MPA in Health Policy and

Management from New York University's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service. I currently reside in Baltimore, MD with my wife Sarah and my son Solomon.

I look forward to serving you in the upcoming year.