



The 28th Annual
Food and Drug Administration
Promotion Ceremony
for the United States Public Health Service
Commissioned Corps

Friday, September 27, 2024
1:00 P.M. EDT



FDA White Oak Campus
Great Room Auditorium
10903 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland





**Arrival of the 2024 USPHS Promotees
Arrival of the Official Party**

Presentation of the Colors and the National Anthem

**USPHS Surgeon General's Honor Guard
USPHS Music Ensemble**

Public Health Service March

USPHS Music Ensemble

Introduction

RDML Raquel Peat
Director, Office of Orthopedic Devices

LT Jazmin Reed (Adjutant)
Science Policy Analyst, Center for Tobacco Products

Welcome/Opening Remarks

Namandjé N. Bumpus, Ph.D.
Principal Deputy Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration

RADM Denise Hinton
Deputy U.S. Surgeon General

Call to Orders/Promotion and Recognition of Officers

RDML Sean Boyd
Director, Office of Regulatory Programs

RDML Emil Wang
Chief Engineer Officer, U.S. Public Health Service

Closing Remarks

RDML Richard P. Schobitz
Director, Commissioned Corps Headquarters



2024 Promotions

To Captain:

Argual, Tara (CDER)	Pharmacist
Bui, Kent (CDER)	Pharmacist
Camilli, Sara (CDER)	Pharmacist
Dvorsky, James (CDER)	Pharmacist
Fienkeng, Mathilda (CDER)	Pharmacist
Le, Caroline (ORA)	Pharmacist
Marin, Keith (CDRH)	Nurse
Nguyen, Michael (CDER)	Medical
Otto, Jessica (CFSAN)	Environmental Health
Piermatteo, Kimberly (CDRH)	Engineer
Sarchet, Jennifer (CDER)	Nurse
Vargas, Danielle (ORA)	Health Services

To Commander:

Berryman, Alissa (ORA)	Nurse
Blessington, Tyann (CFSAN)	Scientist
Brown, Andrew (CDER)	Pharmacist
Chan, Mitchell (OC)	Pharmacist
Chen, Kenneth (CDRH)	Engineer
Chen, Mark (ORA)	Environmental Health
Dam, Tramara* (CDER)	Pharmacist
Darkwah, Mavis (CDER)	Pharmacist
Dinatale, Miriam (CDER)	Medical
Doan, Nga (CDER)	Pharmacist
Doyle, Matthew (CFSAN)	Veterinarian
Echeozo, Kodilichi (CDER)	Pharmacist
Ferry, Krista (ORA)	Environmental Health
George, Jogy (ORA)	Engineer
Gonzalez-Mercado, Carlos (CDER)	Pharmacist

** Below the Zone*



To Commander (continued):

Hong, Evelyn (CDER)	Pharmacist
Kelly, Lura (ORA)	Health Services
Kemp, Margaret (CBER)	Health Services
Kohlbacher, Kristopher (CBER)	Medical
Larose, Ji Hyun (CDER)	Pharmacist
Latonis, Sasha (CDER)	Pharmacist
Lau, Jonathan (CDER)	Medical
Lee, Jun (CBER)	Pharmacist
Marchuk, Daniil (CDER)	Pharmacist
Mosquera, Cristina (ORA)	Health Services
Nasirah, Malcolm (CBER)	Pharmacist
Nguyen, Trami (CDER)	Pharmacist
Onaghise, Osamede (CBER)	Health Services
Ou, Oliver (CFSAN)	Scientist
Patino, Ali (ORA)	Nurse
Phung, Truong-Vinh* (CDER)	Pharmacist
Rhieu, Steve* (CDER)	Engineer
Rivera-Rosado, Leslie (CDER)	Scientist
Sandee, Ana Paula (CVM)	Therapist
Schmidt, Alina (ORA)	Nurse
Schnupp, Matthew (CDER)	Pharmacist
Shermer, Shawn (OC)	Therapist
Steffen, Scott (CDRH)	Scientist
Stojanovic, Danijela (OC)	Pharmacist
Tu, Chi-Ming (CDER)	Pharmacist
Wagner, Michael (OC)	Nurse

To Lieutenant Commander:

Agaba, Pamela (ORA)	Nurse
Anderson, Carley (CDER)	Health Services



To Lieutenant Commander (continued):

Anyanwu, Chiemena (CDER)	Nurse
Brown, Andrew (CDER)	Scientist
Cheesbro, Terren (ORA)	Nurse
Chou, Young (ORA)	Pharmacist
English, Njere (ORA)	Scientist
Galvez, Bryan (ORA)	Scientist
He, Bei (CDER)	Environmental Health
He, Jiali (CTP)	Pharmacist
Jain, Aakash (CDRH)	Engineer
Kesi, Hiwot (CTP)	Pharmacist
Kimani, Martin (ORA)	Scientist
Lin, Ying (CDER)	Scientist
Longfellow, Kristin (ORA)	Dietitian
McLane, Stephen (ORA)	Environmental Health
Nwankwo, Johnny (ORA)	Environmental Health
Oluwo, David (ORA)	Pharmacist
Peroti, Jannet (ORA)	Pharmacist
Santos, Grace (ORA)	Environmental Health
Stefka, Vanessa (ORA)	Health Services
Steiner, Garrett (ORA)	Environmental Health
Tipton, Claire (ORA)	Environmental Health
Tuffour, Gifty (ORA)	Health Services
Turinski, Tiffani (CBER)	Veterinarian
Waters, Christina (CTP)	Environmental Health
Watson, Bryant (CDER)	Pharmacist
Yazdani, Nasser (ORA)	Health Services
Young, Helen (CDER)	Nurse

To Lieutenant:

Hendricks, Brian (ORA)	Health Services
Nardone, Jesse Ray (ORA)	Health Services



2024 Promotion Ceremony Planning Committee

Office of FDA Commissioned Corps, Office of Operations

CDR Brook Kerns, Director
CDR Courtney Drevo, Deputy Director

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CDR Evelyn Hong and CDR Kristie Purdy

Volunteers:

CAPT (ret) Randy Anderson	CDR David Schwab
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CAPT Jamila Mwidau	LCDR Louis Corbin
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CDR Hanah Pham	LT Jazmin Reed
CDR Kelly Ratteree	LT Lillian Smith
CDR Jonas Santiago	



History



Today - The USPHS Commissioned Corps continues to fulfill its mission to protect, promote and advance our nation's health and safety under the leadership of the Assistant Secretary of Health and the U.S. Surgeon General.

2008 - The Department of Defense and the Department of Health and Human Services establishes the DoD-USPHS Partnership for Psychological Health, enabling USPHS Commissioned Corps officers to provide behavioral health services to military members and their families.

2005 - More than 2,400 officers provide disaster relief to the Gulf Region amidst Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma.

1986 - Surgeon General Dr. C. Everett Koop writes "Understanding AIDS," a USPHS Commissioned Corps brochure that is sent to all 107 million households in the U.S., the largest public health mailing ever at the time.

1964 - Surgeon General Dr. Luther Terry releases a landmark report on smoking-related lung cancer and bronchitis, the first report detailing the connection between tobacco and chronic disease.

1944 - The U.S. Public Health Service Act of 1944 broadens USPHS Commissioned Corps' scope and paves the way for nurses, scientists, dietitians, physical therapists and sanitarians to join. By 1945, the USPHS Commissioned Corps quadruples its numbers from 625 to nearly 3,000.

1902 - Congress broadens the reach of the USPHS Commissioned Corps. In addition to their disease prevention duties, officers are now authorized to research human diseases, water sanitation, water supplies and sewage disposal.

1889 - Congress establishes the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps within the Marine Hospital Service, organizing officers along military lines with titles and pay corresponding to Army and Navy grades.

1878 - The Marine Hospital Service plays a pivotal role in thwarting the spread of global epidemic diseases like smallpox and yellow fever in the United States.

1871 - John Maynard Woodworth, the first supervising surgeon, adopts a military model for his medical staff, assigning a cadre of mobile, uniformed physicians to various marine hospitals.

1870 - The Marine Hospital Service centralizes hospital administration under the leadership of the supervising surgeon, a role that is known today as the surgeon general.

1801 - The network expands as more marine hospitals are established in the major port cities from Boston to New Orleans.

1798 - John Adams signs into law the Act for the Relief of Sick and Disabled Seamen, which triggers the creation of the marine hospitals along major American waterways.

The Public Health Service March

*The mission of our Service
is known the world around,*

*In research and in treatment
no equal can be found.*

*In the silent war against disease
no truce is ever seen,*

*We serve on the land, air and the sea
for humanity,*

The Public Health Service team!

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George King III*



*Special thanks to the families, friends, and
colleagues of our newly promoted officers.
Without your unwavering support, we would
not be here today celebrating one of the most
significant events in an officer's career.*



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