



CDR Tracy Powell, PhD
Board Position: Scientist

EUCATION BACKGROUND

CDR Tracy Powell is a scientist officer with 15 years of Active-Duty service in the USPHS. She holds three degrees, a BA, MS, PhD from the University of South Carolina.

USPHS POSITIONS

CDR Powell currently serves as a Senior Advisor at CDC, in the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCRID). She serves among the highest leaders within CDC and has been sought by CDC leadership for critical, high-visibility positions such as an appointed to serve as a SME for Health Equity, Enterprise Risk Manager, Deputy Brand Chief for the Field Services Branch, and she served on nine deployments during the COVID-19 Response.

Prior to joining NCIRD, CDR Powell served as the Chief of the Financial Assessment and Audit Resolution Unit, at CDC in the Office of Financial Resources from 2015-2020. CDR Powell led efforts to conduct financial capacity and sustainability assessments throughout the United States and Territories and across 90 different countries.

From 2008 to 2015, CDR Powell served in the Office of the Surgeon General as the Senior Advisor to VADM Regina M. Benjamin, while simultaneously serving as a Senior Policy Analyst in the Division for Commissioned Corps Personnel and Readiness (DCCPR). In this

position, CDR Powell worked in collaboration with the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health to develop policies and regulations needed to fulfill the mission of the Corps and department.

COA EXPERIENCE

CDR Powell has been involved with COA for over 14 years in different capacities, which includes serving as the Junior Officer Representative to the COA Board of Directors and contributor to the 2013-2015 Strategic Plan, serving on the COA Legislative Affairs Committee (2015-2021), Co-lead the Training Day (formally Pre-Conference) (2023-Present) and heavily engaged in Category Day (2012-Present) as speaker, onsite coordinator, and moderator.