



CDR Alyssa Givens, MSN, RN

Board Position: Nurse Representative

CDR Alyssa Givens has been an active leader within the Commissioned Officers Association (COA). Since 2023, she has served as the Nurse Representative on the Board of Directors and as Vice Chair of the Communications and Public Relations Committee. She has also contributed as a track team lead and presentation mediator for the COA Abstract Committee and was selected to assist with the USPHS Symposium Nurse Category Day Planning Committee. Prior to her national committee work, she held multiple positions across three local COA branches (Fort Worth, Aurora Borealis, and Heart of America), including secretary, education committee member, promotion ceremony Honor Guard, and lead of the Officer Development Workgroup.

Throughout her USPHS career, she has served in six positions across four agencies and five geographic moves. Currently, CDR Givens serves the National Park Service Division of Fire and Aviation Management where she leads the Wildland Fire Health and Wellness Program. She directs program development, project creation, and process improvement efforts that directly serve personnel in the field, ensuring health and safety for the wildland fire workforce.

CDR Givens began her service as a USPHS SRCOSTEP, earning her Bachelor of Nursing from Thomas Jefferson University. She continued her education with a Master of Nursing in Community Systems Administration, concentrating on global health, process improvement, and project management.

She takes pride in advancing the USPHS mission to protect the public's health and safety, while also championing advocacy for the Commissioned Corps and its officers.



Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service

Letter of Intent for the Commissioned Officers Association
(COA) Executive Committee Position of Treasurer 2025-2026

Please accept my nomination to serve on the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors (BOD) of the Commissioned Officers Association (COA) of the U.S. Public Health Service as the Treasurer for the 2025-2026 operational year.

My service with the COA BOD began in 2023 when I assumed the role as Co-Chair of Communications and Public Relations Committee (CPRC). I am fully committed to the mission and vision of the COA and have actively engaged in numerous activities and projects within the BOD over the past few years. I have greatly appreciated the opportunities presented to me as a member of the Board. Below are some highlights from my term:

- Co-Chair of CPRC: Over my term, we have achieved several significant milestones, including the expansion of our committee to over 35 officers. Reorganize the committee to remove the general member category, assigning all volunteers to serve in a subcommittee within CPRC, create a process to remove inactive members, and create a succession plan by adding co-chairs to each subcommittee.
- Development of the Special Projects Subcommittee to create an annual protocol and timely publication of coin and photo contest.
- The Frontline Subcommittee has successfully reviewed over 90 published articles and member spotlights, to include a writing a special spotlight with Vice Surgeon General Carmona. They have also provided editorial support to officers articles prior to publication, updated and streamlined the Frontline Publication Guidelines. Additionally, the Social Media Subcommittee has contributed valuable feedback on posts, proposed new content, and created a social media calendar to organize and ensure regular interval content posting.
- CPRC have been creating connections and trainings for the COA Local Branch to increase participation in website creation, social media accounts, and SOPs to promote the local branch activities. CPRC has also taken an active role in providing guidance to the COF Communication Chair.

I am fully committed to the objectives of COA and look forward to advancing our collective efforts in alignment with the COA strategic plan, emphasizing Growth, Engagement, Service, and Advocacy for the United States Public Health Commissioned Corps. With your collaboration, I aim to identify and leverage opportunities that will enhance the effectiveness of our organization and fulfill our mission

I have accomplished significant leadership milestones during my commission with the U.S. Public Health Service and am committed to further growth as I advance through my career. My experience includes administering and creating numerous programs, including: serving as the Health and Wellness Program Lead for the National Park Service, Division of Wildland Fire and the Aeromedical Branch Chief of the Justice Prisoner and Alien Transportation System with the US Marshal Service.

I am honored to be considered for the position of Treasurer on the National COA BOD and am eager to contribute to our collective growth as an organization and furthering the mission of the COA. I acknowledge my understanding of the COA Board participation guidelines and am prepared to adhere to them. I greatly appreciate your time and consideration..

Regards,
CDR Alyssa N. Givens