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Commander Kelly Valente serves as the Regional Pharmacist for the Division of Medicare Health Plans Operations of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Boston Regional Office. CDR Valente began her career in the United States Public Health Service as a Student Pharmacist. In her third year of school, she was accepted to Junior COSTEP and had three tours of duty with the Federal Bureau of Prisons in Phoenix, Arizona and New York City, New York. In 1999, she was accepted for Senior COSTEP and was stationed at the Federal Correctional Institution in Danbury, CT and continued her career at the Federal Medical Center in Devens, MA, where she served as a clinical pharmacist for the prison's dialysis patients. In 2006, she transferred to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Region IX in San Francisco, CA where she served as the Division of Survey and Certification's pharmacy consultant and a consultant in Emergency Services. In 2012, she transferred to CMS Region I and became a Part C and D account manager for the Division of Medicare Health Plans Operations and then the Regional Pharmacist. CDR Valente received her Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Rhode Island and is currently pursuing her Master in Science in

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