



JUNIOR OFFICER ADVISORY GROUP

2015-2017 Voting Membership Biographies



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Voting Membership 2015-2017
Co-Chair: Recruitment and Retention
Liaison Position: Pharmacy

It is an honor to stand as a voice for junior officers and represent the pharmacist category. My JOAG experience commenced with the Recruitment and Retention Committee as a mentor in the COSTEP (Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program) Connection subcommittee for students selected to the Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (JRCOSTEP). I served as the co-lead for this subcommittee for the past two years. During this time we have expanded the scope of the program and provided mentoring for students in the Senior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (SRCOSTEP). I recently completed a one-year term as a co-lead for the Journeyman Speaker Series (JSS) subcommittee and have participated as a mentor in the Peer to Peer Network within the Professional Development Committee. I will have seven years of uniformed service (all with the USPHS) in April 2016 with approximately one year of that time resulting from my own JRCOSTEP and SRCOSTEP experiences. I received a B.S. in Biology from Bucknell

University in 2004 and my Pharm.D. from the University of Maryland at Baltimore in 2010. My first duty station upon receiving my qualifying pharmacy degree was in Shiprock, NM at the Northern Navajo Medical Center where I spent 4 years as an outpatient pharmacist. In the summer of 2014 I transferred to the Food and Drug Administration as a Regulatory Project Manager in the Office of Generic Drugs. I look forward to supporting the needs of junior officers.