



## **JUNIOR OFFICER ADVISORY GROUP**

### **2015-2017 Voting Membership Biographies**



**LCDR Abraham Marrero**  
**Voting Member 2015-2017**  
**Co-Chair: Awards Committee**

Lieutenant Commander (LCDR) Abraham Marrero was commissioned in the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) Commissioned Corps as category ENGINEER in March 2012. LCDR Marrero's USPHS career started in Butner North Carolina as a Biomedical Engineer with the Bureau of Prisons Federal Medical Center, concurrently as a Regulatory Research officer with the Food and Drug Administration in Winchester MA, and now as a Biomedical Equipment Maintenance Manager with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta GA.

Prior to receiving His Commission, LCDR Marrero also worked as a Summer Research associate at NASA Ames Research Center, Electrical Engineer at Naval Sea Systems Command - Naval Surface Warfare Center in Dahlgren VA, and Reactor Systems Engineer at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Rockville Maryland. Prior to receiving his degree, LCDR Marrero served as an Enlisted Nuclear Electronics Technician in the US Navy for six years qualifying as a Reactor Operator onboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.

LCDR Marrero is currently stationed at the Division of Strategic National Stockpile within the Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response at the CDC. He manages the national biomedical equipment maintenance program for the stockpile and leads a team of eight maintenance technicians to fulfill mission requirements. He is a Certified Biomedical Equipment Technician and an Engineer in Training.

LCDR Marrero was born in Puerto Rico and soon thereafter followed his Father throughout his ARMY career (ARMY Brat). He is Fluent in both English and Spanish and Graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from Turabo University in Puerto Rico. He is currently enrolled in the Master of Science in Organizational Leadership (MSOL) Program at Mercer University Class of 2017 and was selected as a fellow in the Atlanta Federal Executive Board Leadership in Government Program. LCDR Marrero is a practiced Bosun during USPHS Ceremonies and can play the Bosun's Whistle scheme "Piping the Side".

LCDR Marrero is an active Member of numerous associations including, Atlanta Federal Executive Board, Voting Membership in the USPHS Junior Officer advisory Group as Co- Chair for the Awards Committee, and also Chair for the Commissioned Officers Association Ad Hoc committee for Physical Training Uniform.

LCDR Marrero was selected to Team One of the Monrovia Medical Unit (MMU) as part of the U.S. Government response to the largest Ebola outbreak in world in West Africa. He attended CDC's Ebola Response Training in Anniston Alabama and subsequently deployed to Monrovia, Liberia to assist in the commissioning of the MMU as well as the adjacent billeting location Camp Eason. He also serves on the PHS-2 (S2N!) Rapid Deployment Force in order to serve his country in a more definitive role than he could do as a Civilian. In this capacity he has deployed as a translator where PHS-2 RDF medically screened and vaccinated more than 4000 unaccompanied children as part of the Nogales Arizona Multi Agency Medical Task Force.

LCDR Marrero highest accolades include the USPHS Commendation Medal for his achievements as a Biomedical Engineer for the Bureau of Prisons and the 2013 North Carolina Commissioned Officers Association Junior Officer of the Year Award.

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*"Being Commissioned in the USPHS Commissioned Corps and becoming a Commissioned Officer has fulfilled a lifelong passion of Service, Commitment, and Readiness to serve my country. "*

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