



JUNIOR OFFICER ADVISORY GROUP

2015-2017 Voting Membership Biographies



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I'm an Environmental Health Officer (EHO) assigned to a tribal consortium in Fairbanks, Alaska. I have just over 6 years of service in the PHS. I received my BS in Environmental Health & Safety and a BS in Health Education & Promotion from East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. I'm currently working on an MPH in Disaster Management through Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine.

I first participated in JOAG as a member of the CPC's Uniform Subcommittee. I went on to Co-chair that subcommittee before Co-chairing the CPC. My year with CPC leadership has been a tremendous learning experience, and I expect my tenure as a JOAG Voting Member will be, too. I'm not in a supervisory role in my day job, so JOAG activities give me the opportunity to develop leadership skills amongst colleagues that genuinely want me to succeed. I would encourage other junior officers to seek out opportunities within JOAG that fit their abilities, schedules, and skills they want to develop. I believe there is a role for every junior officer to thrive within JOAG.