

CAPT Kevin Meeks Director Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Service

CAPT Kevin Meeks, a member of the Chickasaw Nation, is Director of the Oklahoma City Area of the Indian Health Service (IHS), an agency within the Department of Health and Human Services.

As the OKC Area Director, CAPT Meeks is responsible for the provision of comprehensive healthcare services to one of the largest and most diverse IHS service populations. The Oklahoma City Area was established to serve Tribes in Oklahoma, Kansas, and portions of Texas. The Oklahoma City Area Indian health system provides health care services through IHS owned and operated facilities, urban health programs, and tribally managed programs assumed under the authority of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Public Law 93-638, as amended). CAPT Meeks works to achieve and address Area priorities and policies, including managing the formulation and execution of the Oklahoma Area budget.

CAPT Meeks began his IHS career as a Commissioned Corps Officer in 1987. From 1987 through 1995, he served in a variety of Sanitarian/Environmental Health Officer positions in South Dakota, Oklahoma, and Alaska. From 1995 to 2009, he served in a numerous management positions in the Oklahoma City Area Office. From 1995 to 2000, he served as the Assistant Associate Director for the Office of Environmental Health and Engineering (OEHE). From 2000 to 2006 he served as the Chief, Division of Environmental Health Service, and then from 2006 to 2007 he was the Associate Director, OEHE. In 2007 he was selected as the SE Regional Commissioned Corps Liaison, providing service to officers assigned to the Oklahoma City, Nashville, and Albuquerque Areas.

CAPT Meeks has served on a variety of national and area IHS workgroups, special projects, and other committees. He is a graduate of East Central University in Ada, OK, and the Oklahoma University Health Services Center. He is also a Registered Professional Sanitarian with the Oklahoma State Department of Health.