



**CDR Neelam Ghiya, MPH**

**Board Position: Health Services Officer Representative**

CDR Neelam Ghiya serves as the Health Services Officer Representative on the COA Board of Directors and is the current Co-Chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

CDR Ghiya is stationed at CDC in Atlanta, GA. She works in the CDC's Office of the Director, Office of Science (OS) as the Senior Advisor for Training and Communications and is a CDC Emergency Coordinator (EC). She served as an inaugural coordinator of the CDC Director's Public Health Grand Rounds. Neelam is a former CDC Director's Emergency Preparedness and Response Special Assistant and Chief of Staff Special Assistant.

CDR Ghiya has held leadership positions with the Atlanta Commissioned Officers Association (ACOA) to include Voting Member, Chair of Communications Committee, and Lead of Professional Develop and Events Planning Committees. She received the 2013 and 2020 Officer of the Year Awards. CDR Ghiya has also served as a Voting Member on Health Services Professional Advisory Committee (PAC), Chairing the Membership and Awards Subcommittees. She is currently the Co-Lead of the HSPAC Events Subcommittee Category Day Team and the HS Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Program. CDR Ghiya also serves as a CDC USPHS Advocate.

CDR Ghiya mentor's Emory University public health students and CDC Public Health fellows. She is the Co-Founder and Senior Advisor of CDC's Young Professional's Network and a CDC's Ambassadors Program presenter. CDR Ghiya is a CDC USPHS Honor Cadre member and an Aide-de-Camp to past U.S. Health and Human Service Assistant Secretary of Health, Surgeon Generals, Rear Admirals and Chief Professional Officers. CDR Ghiya strives to bring an engaging and enhancing vigor to support and contribute to COA.