

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (DC COA)
UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE**



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LCDR Kenia Baisden

Member-at-large --Nurse Officer

LCDR Kenia Baisden has been a nurse for 10 years after graduating from Florida State University. Her nursing career began in Tallahassee at an urgent care center, where she was promoted from a medical assistant to a Registered Nurse. She began working at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital in the Cardiovascular and Medical Surgical Intensive Care Unit. In 2011, she began her Public Health Service Career in the Bureau of Prisons and served as a clinical nurse and a health systems specialist where she worked on policy development and interpretation, program development and implementation, training, and patient education.

In 2017, LCDR Baisden moved to the Food and Drug Administration as a program coordinator within the Center for Tobacco Products in the Office of Compliance and Enforcement. She recently obtained a supervisory position overseeing reviews of tobacco product applications and completed a Master's in Public Health from the University of New England.

LCDR Baisden served as Secretary of the COA Central Florida Chapter 2016-2017 and as Co-Secretary for the Junior Officer Advisory Group Recruitment and Retention Committee since October 2018. LCDR Baisden recently joined a Tier 1 Deployment Team and has deployed in support of COVID-19. She lives with her husband, two daughters, and two dogs in Maryland