



## **CAPT Mark Rives, DSc**

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Captain Mark Rives is the Chief Information Officer and the Director of the Office of Information (OIT) for the Indian Health Service (IHS). The IHS, an agency within the Department of Health and Human Services, is the principal federal health care advocate and provider for American Indians and Alaska Natives. He is an enrolled member of the Crow Creek Sioux tribe of South Dakota.

Rives is responsible for advising senior IHS leadership on all aspects of information resource management and technology and ensures IHS compliance with information technology laws, regulations and policies. Under his leadership, OIT designs, develops, implements and maintains policies, budgets, standards, architecture and systems for IHS information technology, including the IHS information technology security program that protects IHS resources. OIT also participates in cross-government initiatives and collaborates with federal, tribal, state and other partners to serve American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Rives began his career with the Indian Health Service in 2002 at the Claremore Indian Hospital in Claremore, Oklahoma, as an Information Technology Specialist and subsequently became the manager of the Information Technology Department. In 2006, he joined the Oklahoma City Area Office as the Information Systems Security Officer. In 2008, Rives joined OIT, serving in numerous capacities, including, most recently, Deputy Chief Information Officer.

Rives holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics from Oklahoma State University, a Master of Business Administration from Oklahoma City University and a Master of Science in Computer Information Systems from the University of Phoenix. In 2013, CAPT Rives was selected as the Health Services Officer IT Specialist of the Year for the U.S. Public Health Service. In 2014, CAPT Rives received the IHS Director's Award for leadership in Health Information Technology. In 2015, CAPT Rives received a Doctor of Science from the School of Communications and Information Systems at Robert Morris University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.