



Tina Conners

Acting Deputy Director for Management Operations Indian Health Service

Tina Conners, a member of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe in Akwesasne, New York, is the acting deputy director for management operations for the Indian Health Service, an agency in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

In this position, Ms. Conners serves as the principal advisor to the IHS director for the management of IHS operations. She is responsible for providing management direction to IHS program offices, including implementing the IHS mission and agency goals; providing overall organization management to improve agency performance; developing strategic plans; and planning, directing, and evaluating operations of the headquarters functions, authorities, and responsibilities in support of the director.

Ms. Conners began her career at IHS headquarters with the Division of Financial Management, where she provided support in the areas of the financial systems accounting, financial policy analysis and budget execution. She has served in various leadership capacities in all aspects of financial management, including budget execution, budget formulation, financial statements, audit and internal controls, as the deputy chief financial officer at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and as director for the HHS Office of Budget and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health.

Ms. Conners has served in leadership roles for the areas of purchased/referred care, business office enhancements and third-party revenue as the deputy director in the IHS Office of Resource Access and Partnerships, and most recently in the IHS Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes in support of Indian self-determination, as authorized under Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.

Ms. Conners received a Bachelor of Science in accounting from the State University of New York at Oswego. She is also a graduate of the Indian Health Service Scholarship Program.