

Biographical Sketch

Alonza E. Cruse, District Director Food and Drug Administration Los Angeles District Office

Alonza E. Cruse is the Director, FDA's Los Angeles District Office where his responsibilities includes providing executive leadership to one of the largest District Offices within FDA's-Office of Regulatory Affairs. Mr. Cruse implements, manages and evaluates FDA's regulatory operations within the District which is comprised of the state of Arizona and southern California including the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach and an Int'l Mail Facility; and provides the Executive leadership and technical direction to a multidisciplinary staff in the execution of investigations, enforcement and compliance programs and in the District's day-to-day management.

Mr. Cruse assumed his current position in October 2000. Prior to assuming his current position, Mr. Cruse was the Director, Import Operations in FDA's-New York District Office. He serves on numerous committees within FDA including the Medical Device Field committee and the Import Programs committee. Alonza is currently involved in ORA's revitalization efforts working on the Collaboration and leveraging Initiative.

Alonza also works with a number of other organizations including serving on the Board of Directors for the Greater Los Angeles-Federal Executive Board. He is a past Chairman of the organization. Alonza also serves on the Combined Federal Campaign - Local Federal Coordination Committee and serves as its current Chair. This committee is responsible for overseeing and directing the yearly campaign where federal employees can make charitable contributions to charities. The Combined Federal Campaign is the only authorized solicitation of employees in the Federal workplace on behalf of charitable organizations.

Mr. Cruse holds a B.S. Degree in Medical Technology from York College and is a graduate of USDA's Graduate School - Executive Leadership Program.