OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

The Office of the Chief of Staff is accountable for providing strategic advice to the CDC Director and ensures proactive coordination of agency-wide priorities and policies in direct support of CDC's mission. The Office of the Chief of Staff: (1) serves as the principal advisor to the CDC Director on internal and external affairs; (2) convenes key leadership for assessment, management, mitigation options, and resolution of issues and initiatives affecting CDC's priorities and goals; (3) provides information to senior management, as necessary, to make timely strategic and operational decisions; (4) assists in assuring that CDC viewpoints are appropriately represented in decision making processes; (5) supports leadership in the resolution of issues; (6) assists in determining CDC objectives and priorities; (7) provides a conduit for background information and updates on controversial or sensitive issues; (8) serves as one of the CDC Director's primary strategic liaisons with staff, partners, and the community at large; and (9) represents the Office of the Director on councils or CDC peer organizations, as well as with high ranking officials outside CDC, HHS, the Office of Management and Budget, and the White House. (Approved 07/05/2022)

Office of the Director (CAT1)

(1) Directs, manages, and coordinates the activities of OCS; (2) provides leadership and direction to the Immediate Office of the Director (IOD); (3) develops goals and objectives for OCS, including enterprise risk management oversight; (4) manages, prepares for, and conducts executive and senior level meetings, while identifying, triaging, and tracking subsequent action items; (5) serves as the primary point of contact for the CDC Foundation, including engagement of CDC leadership and coordination of key priorities; (6) serves as the IOD liaison during a CDC Emergency Operations Center (EOC) activation; (7) manages OCS communication activities both internal and external; and (8) leads special projects for the CDC Director. (Approved 6/20/2024)

Scheduling and Advance Team (CAT12)

(1) Coordinates and manages the CDC Director's schedule and supports the development of briefing materials for the director; (2) ensures the director's schedule is closely aligned with the agency's priorities and goals; (3) coordinates key partner requests and visits for the CDC Director including senior leadership appearances at meetings, speaking engagements, and other external events; and (4) manages special events and high-level visits. (Approved 6/20/2024)

Budget and Operations Management Team (CAT13)

(1) Manages the IOD and OCS budget, and serves as liaison for budget activities within CDC; (2) coordinates the development, implementation (including spending plan) tracking, and reporting of the OCS budget; (3) oversees and executes administrative functions for IOD and OCS, including recruitment, personnel actions, performance management, contracts and grants, training and employee development, travel, space requests and allocation, and procurement and distribution of equipment and supplies; (4) ensures documents are maintained according to CDC's records retention policies and transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration, according to pertinent statutes and guidelines; and (5) manages Freedom of Information Act requests. (Approved 6/20/2024)

Policy, Performance, and Coordination Team (CAT16)

(1) Coordinates, develops, and implements strategic planning and tracking for OCS; (2) provides management and oversight of the Advisory Committee to the Director, its subcommittees and workgroups; (3) provides support to principals within the IOD; (4) participates in reviewing legislation, briefing documents, congressional testimony, and other legislative matters in coordination with the Office of Policy, Performance, and Evaluation (OPPE) and CDC Washington; (5) serves as primary contact for CIO Associate Directors for Policy for OCS requests; (6) oversees the OCS DEIAB Council and priority action items; (7) serves as enterprise risk management champion for OCS; (8) manages agency-wide data calls; and (9) executes special projects as directed by the Chief of Staff. (Approved 6/20/2024)

Office of the Executive Secretariat (CATC).

(1) Manages the director's briefing materials; (2) coordinates the use of the official CDC/ATSDR controlled correspondence tracking system throughout CDC; (3) cultivates strong relationships to facilitate effective coordination across CDC and with HHS Executive Secretariat; (4) conducts final clearance and quality assurance/control of controlled correspondence, select non-scientific policy documents, reports to Congress, including other HHS operating division documents that require the approval of CDC IOD leadership; (5) manages and coordinates correspondence signed by or signed on behalf of the CDC Director; (6) communicates with HHS Policy Coordinator on critical issues on behalf of OCS and serves as the point of contact with the HHS Executive Secretariat for status of Secretary's controlled correspondence of nonscientific documents; (7) processes, triages, assigns, and monitors incoming correspondence for the CDC Director and IOD leadership; (8) serves as official record keeper for the CDC Director's correspondence and non-scientific policy documents; (9) develops and submits the weekly White House Report; (10) manages the electronic signature of the IOD executives on documents requiring official signature; (11) manages the clearance of agency decision memos; and (12) ensures consistent application of CDC correspondence standards and styles. (Approved 6/20/2024)