

John P. Gentile
Bio

John G. Gentile is a financial systems executive with over 36 years combined experience in the private and public sectors. John has held positions of increasing responsibility in the fields of accounting, budget, finance and operations throughout his career, including project director for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation's Headquarters business process reengineering and SAP financial system implementation in the early 1990s.

John joined the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Program Support Center as a financial management specialist in 1998, and in 2001 was asked to represent the department working with the Office of Management and Budget on the President's FY 2002 budget.

In January 2003, John joined the HHS Unified Financial Management System (UFMS) implementation team as the program control manager. UFMS is the HHS financial systems consolidation effort combining five accounting centers into one enterprise-wide, integrated financial management system using Oracle Federal Financials System. He quickly rose to the position of deputy program director for the project and was the acting program director when the system was brought live in April 2005.

In June 2005, John moved to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as the director, Office of Financial Management and the deputy chief financial officer. Here he assumed responsibility for all matters relating to fiscal management and the stabilization of the FDA UFMS set of books.

In May 2008, John became the FDA's associate commissioner for operations. In this new role he became responsible for working with the department toward addressing and improving the operations of a variety of HHS-wide administrative systems including those related to human resources processing and payroll, and travel. Additionally, he is responsible for the day-to-day activities of the Office of Operations, ensuring increased communication and partnering with HHS and other governmental agencies; overseeing the financial and administrative management initiatives impacting the agency including human capital management, finance and budget-related activities. John is also the chair of the Administrative Services Business Review Board, a subgroup of the agency's bioinformatics board, whose charge is to strategically focus and systematically analyze common administrative business needs to determine how to best meet the needs of the FDA. He also leads the agency efforts in developing long-term objectives, strategies and performance measures for Goal 1 – Strengthening FDA for Today and Tomorrow– of the FDA's Strategic Action Plan.