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In March, 2007, Vish Sankaran was appointed Director of the Federal Health Architecture (FHA) Program in the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). As FHA Director, he guides the effort to assist federal agencies with health lines of business to achieve the national goal of interoperability within and with the private sector.

Before joining HHS, Mr. Sankaran developed an expertise in leveraging strategies to achieve organizational goals and to build synergetic and cohesive teams while providing clear technology direction, increasing operational efficiency and reducing costs. His immediate prior position was with CareScience Inc, a healthcare Application Service Provider (ASP) company that uses cutting-edge research and methods to assist hospitals and health systems improve quality, care management, clinical performance and community data sharing. As that company's Director of Information Technology and Product Operations, he administered architecture and operations of multiple healthcare software products that included the Santa Barbara community regional health information exchange (RHIO).

Mr. Sankaran's proven track record in the healthcare industry, specifically in leading and managing multi-million dollar, multi-site IT architecture and operations, was attained through his affiliation with a worldwide business software applications development company and a multinational conglomerate involved in construction, manufacturing, and wholesale distribution. An expert strategist, proficient in multiple applications, operating systems, programming languages, and IT security and privacy, he participated in the design and implementation of state-of-the-art systems, disaster recovery, and secure infrastructure to provide cost-effective IT solutions.

Mr. Sankaran attained an Engineering Degree from Bharathiyar University in India.