



Gundeep Ahluwalia is a tech leader with a unique vision for innovation and strategy. Since assuming the role of Chief Information Officer (CIO) in October 2016, Ahluwalia has led Information Technology growth and transformation at the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). He provides strategic leadership for IT capital planning, project initiatives, talent acquisition and enterprise-wide services—ultimately advancing the Department’s mission-critical work. Prior to serving as the CIO, Ahluwalia served as DOL’s Deputy CIO.

Under his leadership, Ahluwalia directs IT modernization projects, reinforces cybersecurity, promotes accessibility, and fosters information exchange between DOL’s 27 agencies. He collaborates with Department leadership, the Office of Management and Budget, and other key stakeholders to formulate governance policy, budgets, and other strategic investment processes. His flagship program, the award-winning DOL IT Platform, integrates mission critical applications and brings together a variety of services and management into a single, cloud-based environment, including case management, content management, enterprise scanning, service management, and data analytics. His crusade to reduce legacy debt secured an impressive \$3.5 million in funding from the Technology Modernization Fund, empowering a transformation of the temporary work visa

certification system. The newly digitized process enables employers to hire workers faster, and DOL to realize cost savings from eliminating the use of costly security paper and overnight mail, as well as to create near-real time data sharing between DOL, Department of State, and Homeland Security.

The annual DOL Tech Day expo and showcase, spanning across DOL’s 27 agencies and several federal and private partners, originated under his direction. He also advanced the Congressional Oversight and Government Reform Committee’s Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act ([FITARA](#)) scorecard for DOL, achieving seven “A” ratings out of eight categories scored – the only federal agency of 24 to reach this feat, and improving scores in cybersecurity and data center consolidations by full letter grades. The Department’s Unified Communications enterprise solutions efforts are also steered by Ahluwalia, supplying innovative and collaborative technology across DOL’s 386 geographically dispersed offices.

Ahluwalia has more than 20 years of experience in building and implementing enterprise-wide IT capabilities from the public and private sectors. He has developed global coalitions to identify customer-focused technology solutions across Europe, Asia, and the United States. While serving as Deputy Director at the U. S. Food and Drug Administration, he led negotiations with the European Union, Japan, and other countries to build and adopt the next generation of standards for exchanging data on adverse drug reactions.

As Director for IT & Application Support for a worldwide, supply chain management company Ahluwalia implemented solutions for a geographically dispersed customer base and drove innovative solutions that enabled industry standards for item synchronization.

Gundeep Ahluwalia holds a Master of Business Administration from the Amity Business School in India and a Bachelor of Engineering from the Manipal Institute of Technology. He is a recipient of an FDA Honors Award for leading Human Drugs Informatics Platform transformation. He is fluent in English, Hindi, and Punjabi.