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As the Deputy Inspector General for Investigations, Mr. Cantrell is the senior official responsible for supervising the functions of the Office of Investigations (OI) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG). He manages, directs, and coordinates the operations and resources of OI, which includes a workforce of nearly 600 employees, comprised of investigators, analysts, forensic examiners, and administrative staff.

Since 2004, Mr. Cantrell has served in various leadership positions within OI, including Director of the Information Management Staff, Director of the Computer Forensics and Investigative Research Branch, and Assistant Inspector General for Investigations. Across these roles, he has led OI in the identification and investigation of computer crimes; the management of enterprise-wide investigative technology; methods and procedures for the collection and analysis of electronic evidence; and the use of data analysis in health care fraud detection. His leadership extends beyond OI to the Health Care Fraud Prevention and Enforcement Action Team (HEAT) where he led the Data Sharing Subcommittee. Mr. Cantrell was also instrumental in the development and ongoing work of the HEAT Advanced Data Intelligence and Analytics Team for which he and the team received the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) Award for Excellence in Information Technology and the OIG Cooperative Achievement Award.

Mr. Cantrell began his career with OI in 1996 as a Special Agent in the Atlanta Regional Office where he successfully led complex investigations involving allegations of health care fraud, failure to pay child support, employee embezzlement, and grant fraud resulting in numerous criminal convictions and civil settlements. While in the Atlanta Regional Office, he served as both the lead regional firearms training coordinator and lead technical surveillance coordinator. In 2002, Mr. Cantrell joined the Computer Crimes Unit in Washington, DC, where he investigated electronic crimes and conducted forensic analysis of electronic evidence.

Mr. Cantrell holds Bachelor's degrees in Criminal Justice from Georgia State University and Computer and Information Science from the University of Maryland, University College.