Monique S. Patrick
Chief Operating Officer

Monique S. Patrick is the chief operating officer for the CDC Foundation, an independent nonprofit and the sole entity created by Congress to mobilize philanthropic and private-sector resources to support the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s critical health protection work. Patrick reports to Dr. Judith Monroe, president and CEO of the CDC Foundation.

Before joining the CDC Foundation in 2016, Patrick served as the chief finance and administrative officer for Atlanta-based Points of Light Foundation and before that, as managing director of finance and operations at the American Cancer Society. She has also held director-level roles in several functions at BellSouth; was a senior business planner and project manager at PepsiCo; and held financial positions with IBM Credit and Hong Kong Shanghai Banking Group.

Patrick is a strategic thought partner and leader who is deeply committed to advancing the CDC Foundation’s mission to save and improve lives everywhere. She brings more than 25 years of finance, operations and administration management to the Foundation, where she oversees finance, human resources, legal and information technology, and serves on the CDC Foundation’s executive team. During her tenure, Patrick has directed several transformative initiatives, including a relocation of the Foundation’s headquarters to a new facility and a technology transformation for the entire organization to support and bring greater efficiencies to core programming and emergency response.

The CDC Foundation is actively supporting CDC and U.S. health departments’ response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Under Dr. Monroe’s leadership, the CDC Foundation has provided support to vulnerable populations; procured personal protection equipment for frontline health workers; is hiring surge staff for all 50 states, six large cities, tribal organizations and territories; and is supporting data solutions for contact tracing. In addition, the CDC Foundation is supporting communications and clinical research, including a portfolio with a focus on health equity. The CDC Foundation is also partnering with cross-sectoral leaders to provide expert panel discussions and scenario planning to help safely reopen the U.S. economy.

Patrick received her Bachelor of Arts degree cum laude in finance/business administration from Howard University and her Master of Business Administration from the Darden Business School at the University of Virginia.

She currently serves as a board member for the Elaine Clark Center in Atlanta and on the Racial Equity Advisory Cabinet for the University of Virginia Darden School of Business. Previously she served as a board member and vice-chair of the ROOTS Adoption Agency and participated in the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Atlanta. In 2015, Patrick was a keynote speaker for American Express Leadership Academy and in 2009 she was a guest instructor at the Darden Business School at the University of Virginia. In 2009, Diversity MBA Magazine named her as a Top 100 Emerging Leader.