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Mary Greene is the Deputy Director of the Office of the Science Advisor at the U.S. EPA, where she is responsible for the management and overall performance of the office. Her current portfolio focuses on science and policy issues of cross-Agency importance, including guidance and policy related to Agency wide science and technology issues, peer review, risk assessment, and environmental measurement and modeling. She also serves as a member of the Science and Technology Policy Council Steering Committee and the Scientific Integrity Committee.

Earlier in her career, Dr. Greene worked at the Oklahoma State Department of Health, in the public health laboratory and as a hazardous waste inspector. She has over twenty-six years of experience at the federal level, in positions that focus on environmental science and public policy. At EPA, Dr. Greene has worked on a variety of environmental issues, ranging from medical waste to risk management plans required under the Clean Air Act. She was also Chief of the Information Exchange Partnership Branch in the Office of Environmental Information. Her experience also includes work at the Department of Energy to analyze nuclear and hazardous waste issues under the National Environmental Policy Act; as the Chief for the Hazardous Waste Disposal Section at the Drug Enforcement Administration; and as a Program Coordinator in the Biological Resources Discipline at U.S. Geological Survey.

Dr. Greene has served as an Expert for the United Nations on the UN Project to prepare the Guidelines for the Safe Handling and Disposal of Chemicals used in the illicit Manufacture of Drugs. She also developed and taught Environmental Health as an Adjunct Professor at George Mason University.

She earned her Ph.D. in Environmental Science and Public Policy from George Mason University. She holds Masters Degrees in Environmental Public Policy and in Microbiology, from the University of Maryland and the Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center, respectively. She received her undergraduate degree in Biology from Central State University in Edmond, Oklahoma.

During her career, Dr. Greene has received numerous awards, including two Bronze Medals for her contribution to the development of state air toxics regulations and research on medical waste incinerators that led to national regulation; two Silver Medals for her work on the Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule and the Environmental Information Exchange Network; and a Partnership Award for her contributions to strengthening tribal participation in the Environmental Information Exchange Network.



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