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Dr. Fedorkova is a former executive manager of the SBIR/STTR programs across the NIH, FDA and CDC. She led the agency in developing and implementing many policies, funding programs for US small businesses and spearheaded partnerships to help accelerate the translation of biomedical technologies. In addition to representing the NIH in many high-level meetings in Congress or the White House, her pragmatic approach to solving problems and capitalizing on opportunities enabled first ever partnership with BIO to showcase promising SBIR companies to the world, implementing business culture within the Coordinator's office, and growing the network of industry experts for NIH's flagship Commercialization Accelerator Program (CAP) for Phase II awardees. While managing the CAP, she worked hands-on with some of the most successful SBIR/STTR awardees. Her passion to work with small businesses led her to establish bioPrime, LLC in late 2015. She is dedicated to helping educate entrepreneurs about non-dilutive funding options, prepare and review SBIR/STTR proposals, evaluate early-stage technologies and serve as business advisor to individual companies or organizations. Dr. Fedorkova received her Ph.D. in neuroscience from Kent State University and has recently moved back home to Cleveland.