



## Biography – Kyle Kusznieryk, COTA Aviation



Kyle Kusznieryk is a Director of COTA Aviation and has served as the company CEO, and TCCA Accountable Executive since 2017. Primarily responsible for company direction and major contract negotiation and acquisition, Kyle is often the POC for COTA's largest client accounts. Kyle has been a key driver for COTA's successful diversification into the defense industry.

Having been involved in design and advanced manufacturing since 2001, Kyle holds an ITA accreditation as a Red Seal Machinist. Kyle has extensive knowledge in the field of manufacturing, including design for production, production controls, complex machining, and process development, and has played key roles in complex product development and lifecycles.

As COTA is an indigenous owned corporation, Kyle has developed relationships within the indigenous business community, and works to improve the industry landscape for future indigenous involvement entering aerospace and defense. As a regular contributing member of Canada's DND Defence Industry Advisory Group (DIAG) Indigenous sub working group Kyle works to drive government policy and programs alongside other community stakeholders and businesses leaders.