Together. We Serve.

Through WiCyS Veteran Assistance Program

In honor of our veteran community, WiCyS is joining forces with WiCyS members, partners and sponsors to grow the cybersecurity workforce by moving more female veterans into cybersecurity! The Veteran Assistance Program will help bridge the gap of how military skills are transferable to the cybersecurity workforce, address the cybersecurity workforce shortage and aid in decreasing the gender disparity in the field.

WiCyS Opportunities for Female Veterans who are:

- Interested in cybersecurity careers
- Already working in the cybersecurity field
- Looking to further advance their cybersecurity careers

Benefits:

- Apply for the WiCyS Veterans’ Apprenticeship Program
- Connected with resources, opportunities, and mentors within the WiCyS network of members, partners and sponsors
- Discounted WiCyS membership for female veterans
- WiCyS Veteran Fellowship Award opportunities to attend WiCyS annual conference
- Exclusive community forum specifically for female veterans
- Access to the directory of WiCyS veterans for external opportunities
- Work with partners and sponsors for female veteran job placement

Quotable

“According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, there are over 20 million veterans in the U.S. Female veterans account for 9% of the veteran population. That's almost two million female veterans who are highly skilled and have received specialized training in fields that are applicable to meet the demanding cybersecurity jobs the industry is seeking to fill.”

Dr. Amelia Estwick, Vice President of the WiCyS Mid-Atlantic Affiliate and U.S. Army Veteran

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Top 6 Transitional Challenges:

59% Navigating VA Programs, Benefits, and Services
55% Finding a Job
47% Financial Struggles*
41% Depression*
38% Getting Socialized to Civilian Culture
37% Skills Translation

Women in the Military: From Service to Civilian Life

* Indicates significantly higher for female service members compared to male service members

Sources:
2 - https://www.uscybersecurity.net/csmag/female-veterans-ready-to-fill-cybersecurity-jobs/
3 - https://ivmf.syracuse.edu/article/women-military-service-civilian-life-infographic/

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