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In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

**Alma L. Lee**  
National VA Council, President

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**In This Briefing: OPM offering**  
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**Hiring Excellence Workshop**

**“Cybersecurity Talent Summit”**

**Wednesday, February 10, 2016 from 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

Across the nation, employers in the Federal and private sectors are challenged with attracting top cybersecurity talent to meet the high-demand of our shared national priority. While the Federal government’s mission continues to be a compelling draw, we must also be prepared to compete by using existing hiring authorities, higher compensation packages, and career development opportunities that are available to Federal agencies today.

To support agencies’ cybersecurity workforce efforts, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) invites you to join us, and your colleagues from across government, at the Cybersecurity Talent Summit where we will:

- Understand the challenges and solutions for hiring and retaining top cybersecurity professionals;

- Learn best practices from hiring managers and Chief Human Capital Officers, who have had success in addressing cybersecurity talent needs in their workforces;
- Discover how to leverage existing hiring authorities and compensation tools;
- Explore the talent pipeline with current and former Scholarship for Service participants;
- Build your cybersecurity workforce plan using the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Framework; and
- Hear experiences and lessons learned from Federal executives, who were formerly in private industry.

**Who Should Attend:** Chief Information Officers, Chief Human Capital Officers, Managers and human capital management professionals; managers with hiring or HR responsibilities; and executives, who have responsibility for recruiting and hiring a cybersecurity workforce.

To attend this event in person or via webcast, each guest must register at the following link: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/cyber-talent-summit-tickets-21261197815> by Monday February 8, 2016.

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