



Support to America's Warfighters and Veterans

September 24-25, 2025

Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Symposium Venue: University of North Carolina, The Friday Center, 100 Friday Center Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Venue Legend: Grumman Auditorium Dogwood AB Redbud AB Trillium AB Atrium Magnolia

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2025 – DAY 1 SESSIONS

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Registration and Check-In

2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Technology Innovation Showcase

*Application process. Select businesses will present to government, academia, and business attendees.
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5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Social: University of North Carolina, The Friday Center, 100 Friday Center Drive, Chapel Hill, NC

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 2025 – DAY 2 SESSIONS

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Registration, Check-In and Light Refreshments

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Welcome and Orientation: Scott Dorney, Executive Director, North Carolina Military Business Center

8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Keynote Speaker

Major General Paula C. Lodi, Commanding General, US Army Medical Research and Development Command; Director, Research and Development, Defense Health Agency; Deputy Assistant Director, Research and Engineering, Defense Health Agency; and Senior Commander, Fort Detrick, Maryland (invited)

9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Enabling the Warfighter: Operational Requirements for Tactical Medicine: Fort Bragg Research Institute, a program of The Geneva Foundation; US Army Special Operations Command; 44th Medical Brigade; 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit; Navy Expeditionary Resuscitative Surgical System

Colonel Caryn R. Vernon, Commander 44th Medical Brigade, Fort Bragg

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

Sponsor Expo and Networking

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Business Opportunities with DoD and VA: Medical Supplies, Equipment and Devices

Medical Research and Development: Warfighter Brain Health

Department of Veterans Affairs One-on-One Meetings

12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch and Keynote Remarks

Dr. Angela Billups, Executive Director, Office of Acquisition and Logistics, US Department of Veterans Affairs (invited) and Desmond Brown, Executive Director, Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization, US Department of Veterans Affairs (invited)

1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Break

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Business Opportunities with DoD and VA: Medical Services and Staffing

Forging the Future of Military Medicine: From Battlefield Concepts to Dual-Use Deployment

Department of Veterans Affairs One-on-One Meetings

Sponsor Expo and Networking

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Business Opportunities with DoD and VA: Pharmaceutical and Pharma Supply Chain

Medical Research and Development: Opportunities to Connect with Warfighters and Veterans

4:15 p.m.

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