



Veteran Employer Webinar Series

Leadership and public commitment to veteran employment

Thursday 31 October 2024 1:00 – 2:00pm AEDT [Register online](#) to secure your spot

The Veteran Employer Webinar Series aims to educate employers to implement or improve veteran employment activities that align with the Veteran Employment Commitment. Hear from organisations that demonstrate leadership and public commitment to veteran employment. Gain insights into being a leader in veteran employment and how this supports organisations to attract, employ and retain veteran talent.

Panel members



Emma Perkins

United – Veterans and Services Network, Chair, Optus

Emma is the Satellite Defence Security Manager at Optus Satellite and Space Systems and also the Chair of the Optus Veterans and Emergencies Service Network. Having served in the Royal Australian Army, Emma utilises her background in Defence to support, manage and oversee the State and National Level Policy imperatives concerning Defence Security Compliance. Emma has a passion for Veteran, First Responders and Spouse employment and actively partaking in employment programs showcasing opportunities with Optus.



Matthew Smith

General Manager Integrated Services – Defence BGIS and Head of Innovation APAC

Matthew is the General Manager Integrated Services – Defence and Head of Innovation for APAC with BGIS. In his role Matthew manages the support functions that span the contract BGIS has with the Australian Department of Defence, including WHS, Quality Assurance, Security, Compliance, Information Technology, a 24-hour Operations Centre and Customer Experience. With over 16 years in the Property Industry, Matthew holds a Master's in Business Administration (MBA) and is a proud Ambassador for Solider On.



Teegan Crump

Head of Vocational Programs, RSL Queensland

As Head of Vocational Programs at RSL Queensland, Teegan leads a dedicated team who engage with education providers, employers, and government departments on opportunities for veterans, provide tailored employment support to clients nationally, and deliver career pathway guidance for veterans and partners. Teegan is the daughter of an Army Veteran, a qualified rehabilitation counsellor and has worked with veterans across vocational and return-to-work programs and cultivated strategic relationships and partnerships with stakeholders from various industries and sectors.

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veteranemployment.gov.au