December 9, 2024	20 th Annual SMART PROC GOVCON Small Business Conference Mobile App Sponsor City of Frederick Department of Economic Development
Noon	Registration Opens Sponsored by Odyssey Program Sponsored by Leidos Biomedical Research
1:00PM - 2:00PM	SMART PLENARY SESSION Healthcare Infrastructure Fireside Chat Location: Ballroom A
	Strengthening the Mid-Atlantic Region for Tomorrow (SMART) GOVCON Small Business Procurement Conference joins federal, state and local government leaders to discuss economic development and programs to encourage small business development nationally, regionally and locally. Plenary Session will provide a fireside chat with federal leaders in healthcare and military medicine. With aging infrastructure, the session will focus on future infrastructure needs to ensure a national healthcare delivery system for the 21 st century.
	Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Robert Carullo, Executive Director Emeritus, SMART SMART Congressional Staff: Mr. Terrance Taylor, District Director, Congressman Steny Hoyer (MD-05)
	 Fireside Chat: The Honorable Patrick Murphy, 32nd Under Secretary of the Army and Former Congressman from Pennsylvania Dr. Michael Parrish, Former Chief Acquisition Officer and Principal Executive Director, Office of Acquisition, Logistics, and Construction (OALC), Department of Veterans Affairs Dr. Paul Cordts, SES, Deputy Assistant Director, Medical Affairs (DAD-MA), Defense Health Agency (DHA)
2:15PM – 3:15PM	Brainstorming to Fielding Technology: Overcoming the Valley of Death Location Ballroom A
Session 1	The landscape for engaging adversaries continues to expand and evolve, creating a demand for disruptive technologies to reduce and mitigate threats to our information and infrastructure systems, and public health. Unfortunately, the "Valley of Death" has prevented technologies across all sectors from crossing the finish line. Hear from agency leads on how you can work with their teams to bolster your R&D capabilities and take a "front door" approach to advance your innovation to the next level
	Moderator: Mr. Barclay Butler, President, BCS, Independent Consulting Panelists:
	Dr. Becky Fisher, Deputy Director for Program Management, Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP)
	Mr. Lou Jasper, Project Manager, Warfighter Readiness, Performance and Brain Health PMO, PEO OPMED, Provisional M. L. L. Company of the PMD Civilian Project Advantage and Brain Health PMD Civilian PMD Civili
	Ms. Johanna (Casey) Gilbertz, PMP, Civilian Deputy to Principal Assistant for Acquisition, U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command (MRDC) M. M. H. G. B. L. Gleich, M. H. L. B. L. Gleich, M. H. L. G. L. G.
	Ms. Kelly Green, Branch Chief, U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)
Session 2	 Dr. Mike Stebbins, Sr. Vice President, Advanced Technology International and Lead of Medical & Health Security Portfolio (Consortium Management Firm for Medical Technology Enterprise Consortium (MTEC) and Medical Countermeasures Development Consortium (MCDC)

Defense Offices of Small Business Programs: Resources for Current and Future Requirements and Opportunities

Location Ballroom B

Leaders from various Defense Offices of Small Business Programs, OSDBUs and the SBA come together to explain what the Small Business Office can do for you. Speakers will discuss contracting for small business set-asides, including: how to find forecasts, understanding missions, contacting program offices, and traditional and non-traditional methods for success. Discover why you should work with these offices, and how you should position your company to be competitive for federal procurements.

Moderator: Ms. Tonya Torgeson, Executive Director, Growth, Odyssey Panelists:

- Mr. Jerome Maultsby, Assistant Director, Office of Small Business Programs, U.S. Army Medical Command
- Ms. Irma Alexander, Deputy Director, Naval Air Systems Command HQ, Office of Small Business Programs (NAVAIR)
- Mr. Brian Shay, Customer Outreach Advocate, Small Business Programs, National Security Agency (NSA)
- Mr. Harry Epstein, CEO Emeritus of Marine Electric Systems

3:30PM -4:30PM

SBIR/STTR, Tech Transfer, CRADA's and Other Transaction Agreements (OTA's): Collaborating with the Military for Future Capabilities

Location Ballroom A

Session 3

Health technology and life sciences firms can access non-dilutive funding through several agencies and components. Can your small business achieve mission goals for the Federal Government through disruptive innovation? Together, the Federal Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and the Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs and OTA's fund over \$1B into projects each year, as "America's Seed Fund.". This panel will discuss the programs for industry to partner with the military in developing new disruptive technology in conjunction with the government. Learn about SBIR, Tech Transfer licensing, Cooperative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs) and Other Transaction Agreements (OTA's) to locate the right opportunity for your small business.

Moderator: Dr. Darryl Sampey, President, BioFactura, Inc. Panelists:

- Dr. Paul Michaels, eJD, Director, ORTA/Medical Technology Transfer, U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command (MRDC)
- Mr. J.R. Myers, Project Manager, SBIR, Defense Health Agency, Medical Research and Development Command (MRDC)
- Ms. Sara B. Langdon, Program Manager, OTA with MTEC, Medical Research Development Command/Defense Health Agency (MRDC/DHA)
- Ms. Samantha Connors, Branch Chief, U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Session 4

Civilian Agencies Small Business Opportunities: OSDBU's Resources and Opportunities for Small Business

Location Ballroom B

Discover how to position your company to be competitive for federal procurements. Join leaders from various Offices of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) explain what the Small Business Office can do for you and why it is important to work with them. Gain insight into finding forecasts, understanding missions, contacting program offices, and traditional and nontraditional methods for success.

Moderator: Mr. John Sparks, Program Manager, ATC-Frederick Panelists:

- Ms. Annette Owens-Scarboro, Program Manager, Small Business Programs, National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Mr. Hari Narayanan, Procurement Analyst, Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), U.S. Department of State
- Ms. Darlene Bullock, Director, Office of Small Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- Ms. Nicola Ohaegbu, Senior Small Business Associate, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Utilization (OSDBU), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
- Mr. Richard Paden, Maryland Apex Accelerator

4:45PM – 5:45PM

Critical Infrastructure: Supporting Resilience and Sustainability

Location Ballroom A

Session 5

As the nation responds to supply chain shortages, competition for critical rare earths, and shipping/domestic manufacturing raw material issues, hear from the lead agencies responsible for coordinating the infrastructure funding and investment. This session will explore current and future funding opportunities to upgrade our infrastructure to ensure a domestic response. Hear from the lead agencies responsible for coordinating the infrastructure funding and investment.

Moderator: Mr. Jamie Bratten, President, EZGovOpps Panelists:

- Ms. Denise Benjamin-Sirmons, Director, Procurement, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Mr. Joshua Metzger, Procurement Analyst, Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
- Dr. Mike Stebbins, Sr. Vice President, Advanced Technology International and Lead of Medical & Health Security Portfolio (Consortium Management Firm for Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing Preparedness Consortium (BioMaP), Defense Industrial Base Consortium, and ConnectWerx (PIA with Department of Energy)

Session 6

Contracting with Maryland

Location Ballroom B

States like the federal government contract for services, supplies, IT support, construction, engineering and healthcare. Panelists from various state agencies will discuss future opportunities, the new Maryland marketplace to locate opportunities, and contract vehicles available for small business. Learn about Maryland's procurement process and how to effectively do business within the state.

	 Moderator: Mr. Richard Griffin, Director, City of Frederick Office of Economic Development Panelists: Mr. Yasin Mohammed, Director of the Office of State Procurement, Maryland Department of General Services Mr. Jeremy Scholtes, Principal Attorney, Miles and Stockbridge Mr. Eduardo Hayden, Small Business Outreach Manager, Governor's Office of Small, Minority & Women Business Affairs Ms. Heather McCall, Outreach Manager, Maryland Department of Transportation, Minority Business Enterprise Office
5:30PM – 7:30PM	Evening Networking in Exhibit Hall Location Ballroom D-F Sponsored by Miles and Stockbridge

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7:00AM – 8:00AM	Registration Opens Sponsored by Odyssey Breakfast Sponsored by Maryland Department of Commerce Health Sponsored by QuidelOrtho
8:00AM – 9:15AM	SMART PLENARY SESSION Location Ballroom A
	SMART brings together experienced leaders from the key Military Installations in Maryland with unique national security missions. Together these military leaders ensure the warfighter has mission essential tools and support in biodefense, military intelligence, medical technology, and weapons technology to complete their respective missions. This panel brings together key stakeholders from Fort Detrick, Fort Meade and Aberdeen Proving Ground which are critical to defending our nation from threats both domestic and abroad. Leaders from the Department of Defense will discuss priorities, budget and future requirements to complete their mission.
	Welcome and Opening Remarks: Ms. Debbie Burrell, SMART Board Chair and President, Burrell International Group, LLC Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Robert Mazzuca, Executive Director, SMART
	 Plenary Speakers: Ms. Kathy Berst, Acting Assistant Director Support/Component Acquisition Executive, Defense Health Agency (DHA) COL Christopher Todd, Deputy Commanding Officer, DHA Research and Development-Medical Research and Development Command (MRDC) COL Matt Clark, Joint Project Manager for CBRN Medical, Joint Program Executive Office
	 COL Matt Clark, Joint Project Manager for CBRN Medical, Joint Program Executive Office for CBRN Defense Ms. Tammy Griffith, Deputy Senior Acquisition Executive and Chief, Acquisition Resources & Analysis, National Security Agency, (NSA) Fort Meade
9:15AM – 9:30AM	Coffee Break in Exhibit Hall
9:30AM – 10:45AM	Medical Research and Development Command Super Session Location Ballroom A
Session 1	Medical Research and Development Command (MRDC) Leaders will describe current program goals as well as opportunities for small businesses to support the Warfighter.
	Moderator: Ms. Ellen Embrey, Managing Partner, Stratitia & 2c4 Technologies and Former Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs Panelists:
	• Dr. Therese A. West DNP, APN, BC, Combat Casualty Care Defense Health Agency Portfolio Manager, USA Medical Research Development Command Combat Casualty Care Research Program (CCCRP)
	 COL Aaron Pitney, Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Disease (USAMRIID) Mr. David Wirtz, Deputy Project Manager, Soldier Medical Devices, Program Executive Office
	Soldier (PEO Soldier)

	Ms. Sara B. Langdon, Program Manager, OTA with MTEC, Medical Research Development Command/Defense Health Agency (MRDC/DHA)
9:30AM- 10:45AM	Mid-Atlantic Federal and Military Construction Location Ballroom B
Session 2	With its close proximity to Washington, DC and federal facilities, Maryland is positioned to receive over \$1 Billion in Federal and Military construction projects in FY25-26 on installations in the Region. This panel will bring leaders from the USACE, NAVFAC, GSA and prime contractors to discuss future construction projects, and who has small business goals on current and future opportunities.
	Moderator: COL Giles Kyser, USMC (Ret.), Vice President, Goldbelt Security Panelists:
	 Mr. Ian Griffith, Acting Chief, Civil Works Programs, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District
	 Ms. Sonia Ashfaq, Contracting Officer with the Office of Acquisition, Public Buildings Service (NCR), General Services Administration (GSA)
	Ms. Joey Harmon, Small/Diversity Business Liaison, The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company
11:00AM – 12:15PM Session 3	Operational Medicine: Addressing the Challenges of Resource Limited Environments in Military Treatment Facilities and in Theater Location Ballroom A
	Panelists will discuss the unique challenges from lessons learned during the wars in the Ukraine and Israel to ensure the warfighter has the medical supplies to support Role 1 to Role 4 care, challenges to supporting Military Treatment Facilities, and contracting opportunities to support ensure medical readiness.
	Moderator: Ms. Jasmine Stewart, President, Goldbelt Apex
	Panelists: • Ms. Carolyn Tyson, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Procurement, Office of the Surgeon General, U. S. Army Medical Command
	Dr. Patrick Mc Gann, PhD, Deputy Director, Multidrug Resistant Organism Repository and Surveillance Network (MRSN), Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR)
	• Mr. Pete Hunter, Associate Director, Office of Small Business Programs, U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM)
11:00AM – 12:15PM	Team APG - Protection and Capabilities for the Future Battlefield Location Ballroom B
Session 4	Aberdeen Proving Ground is the premier Army base with Joint Program Offices which support the warfighter from communication to CBRN threats to future technology development. Hear from these commands on future needs for the battlefield and capabilities to meet the ever-changing threat landscape. The Joint Program Executive Offices for Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Defense, US Army DEVCOM will be joined by the Army Contracting Command - APG, to provide first-hand insight into the development of break-through technology for the warfighter, current

	operational needs, future requirements, and acquisition forecast will have an impact on their respective Commands.
	 Moderator: Ms. Joan Michel, President & CEO, Profile Partners, LLC Panelists: Mr. Wyatt Ulrich, Director for Acquisition and System Management, Joint Program Executive Office for Chemical, Biologic, Radiologic, Nuclear Defense (JPEO-CBRND) Dr. Eric L. Moore, SES, Deputy to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Futures Command, Combat Capabilities Development Command (DEVCOM) Ms. Debra Abruzzese, Deputy of Operations, U.S. Army Contracting Command Aberdeen Proving Ground (ACC-APG)
12:00PM – 1:00PM	Lunch – Exhibit Hall
1:00PM – 2:15PM	Artificial Intelligence Use in the Procurement Process: What is AI's Impact on the Future of Government and Industry in Government Contracting? Location Ballroom A
Session 5	The U.S. government is constantly adapting to the evolving technology advancements. As AI becomes more prevalent in the workplace, learn how agencies are anticipating and developing new guidance for AI in the procurement process. Panelists from both government and industry will explore the benefits and cautions of AI in the evaluation and use in the RFP process.
Session 6	 Moderator: Ms. Gloria Larkin, CEO, Target.GOV Panelists: Ms. Katherine Crompton, Procurement Innovation Laboratory (PIL), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Mr. Chris Hessman, Director ITC's Solutions Laboratory, General Services Administration (GSA) Ms. Mary Anne DeHart, IG Labs Director, IntelliGenesis
	Defense Intelligence Community Location Ballroom B
	The Department of Defense's mission priorities continue to change to meet emerging threats and capabilities. Small businesses need to understand their mission and how to do business and helpful tips to engage with these agencies. Hear from various components of the Defense Intelligence and Information Systems agencies as they provide helpful tips on contracting with their respective agency.
	Moderator: Mr. Jeremiah Jensen, Chief Operating Officer, IntelliGenesis Panelists: • Dr. Ruby Crenshaw-Lawrence, Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Defense
	 Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) Mr. Brian Shay, Customer Outreach Advocate, Small Business Programs, National Security Agency (NSA) Ms. Carlen Capenos, Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)
2:30PM – 3:45PM	Cybersecurity, Data, and IT Modernization Location Ballroom A

Session 7

Federal agencies have Information Technology (IT) and Data Modernization Initiative (DMI) involving multi-year, multi-billion-dollar efforts to modernize data across the federal and state stakeholders. Learn how agency-wide data modernization and enhanced technologies initiatives are currently being implemented, and future plans to align technology and data policies. Hear from agencies and prime contractors on areas industry can assist the feds in combatting risks to critical infrastructure, understanding new requirements, challenges to program success, and best practices.

Moderator: Ms. Mary Vogel, President, Ellumen, Inc. Panelists:

- Mr. James Saunders, Chief Information Security Officer, Office of Personnel Management (OPM)
- Mr. Matthew Quinn, Science Director, Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center (TATRC)
- Mr. Rocky Campione, Former Chief Information Officer at the Department of Energy, Boston Government Services, LLC
- Mr. Anthony Stephens, Chief Cybersecurity Architect, Booz Allen Hamilton (BAH)
- Mr. Jeremy Dinger, Technical Director of Cyber Security, Ellumen, Inc.

Session 8

Emerging Threats: Supply Chain, Logistics, and the Domestic Response *Location Ballroom B*

The Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasures Enterprise (PHEMCE) partners with industry to ensure the nation's preparedness for chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear threats, as well as emerging infectious disease. Experts from IBMSC/ASPR, BARDA, NIAID, and DOD will provide key insight from lessons learned from the COVID pandemic in the supply chain, MCM development, domestic warm-base for manufacturing to ensure our nations preparedness for future pandemics. Panelists will discuss the biodefense strategy, funding needed to ensure domestic preparedness, and insight into future priorities of their respective agencies to enhance the availability of medical countermeasure for use for future disasters and emergencies.

Moderator: Mr. Michael Bosley, President, Goldbelt C6 and Professional Technical Service Panelists:

- Mr. Tim Belski, Director, Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing Preparedness (BioMaP)
 Pharmaceutical Countermeasures Infrastructure Program, Biomedical Advanced Research
 and Development Authority (BARDA), Administration of Strategic Preparedness Response
 (ASPR)
- Dr. Paula Bryant, Director of the Office of Biodefense, Research Resources, and Translational Research at DMID/NIAID
- Ms. Arlene Joyner, SES, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Center for Industrial Base Management and Supply Chain, HHS/ASPR/IBMSC
- COL Matt Clark, Joint Project Manager for CBRN Medical, Joint Program Executive Office for CBRN Defense
- Dr. Deena Disraelly, Deputy Director for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Coordination Operations and Response Element (H-CORE)

4:00PM -5:00PM

Maryland Artisanal Networking Hour

Featuring Idiom Brewing Company and Black Ankle Vineyards