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Registration Deadline is Aug. 25 for the Ohio Women Veterans' Conference
Only 5 days left to register for the largest women veterans' conference in the nation

COLUMBUS – Register now for the Ohio Women Veterans Conference. Registration closes August 25. The theme for the conference is *"What empowers you? Pass it on!"*

The conference, organized by the Ohio Department of Veterans Services Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, provides a vital forum to network with women veterans of today's conflicts and all eras dating back to World War II. It also provides women veterans the opportunity to learn more about the challenges women veterans face and how to access the resources and strategies available to overcome them.

The Ohio Women Veterans Conference will be held Saturday, September 12 at the Hilton Columbus at Easton from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The last conference in 2013 drew over 700 women veterans, making it the largest Women Veterans conference in the nation. Register today at http://dvs.ohio.gov/HOME/Committees/Women_Veterans_Advisory_Committee/Ohio_Women_Veterans_Conference

The keynote speaker will be Amanda Wirtz, U.S. Navy combat veteran who will share her inspiring story of overcoming insurmountable health challenges to help others who are struggling. Dr. Betty Mosely Brown, associate director of the Center for Women Veterans at the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs will give a presentation on women veterans' health, and Brigadier General Wilma Vaught, U.S. Air Force, retired will give a presentation on the Women Veterans Memorial.

Ohio is home to more than 67,000 female veterans, and the number is growing. Today, more than 15 percent of America's Armed Forces are women veterans.

From healthcare to benefits, bonuses, education and jobs, the Ohio Department of Veterans Services is here to make sure that every generation of Ohio Veterans are connected to the resources and benefits they have earned. Visit www.ohiovet.gov or call 1-877-OHIO-VET for more information.

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