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The Symposium opened with the posting of the colors by the **Arizona State University Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) Color Guard**, accompanied by the **Phoenix Fire Department Pipes & Drums**.



"I not only learned a lot about the challenges facing today's veterans and their families, but I was also encouraged to meet so many bright and dedicated people who are available to work with Arizona's veterans."

"I wanted to thank all the people, community and providers who endeavor to execute the Symposium for all your hard work. As always it was a highly informative and valuable event."



Opening remarks were made by **COL (Ret.) Wanda Wright, Director of the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services**, Title Sponsor of the Symposium.

“The Symposium had a huge impact on my readiness to assume a leadership role in providing successful services to the community.”

“This has been priceless for me!!”

On Wednesday, **COL James P. Isenhower, III**, the Director of the Office of Reintegration of the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, delivered a keynote presentation .



William Nash, MD, presented a keynote on Thursday on the neurobiology of extreme stress, as well as multiple sessions in the clinical track.

“The event opened my eyes to several new things and recharged me. I made great contacts.”

This year the Symposium included **six different tracks over two days** with 30 breakout sessions covering a wide range of topics that affect service members, veterans & their families.

*“Thank you! **Amazing symposium** and extremely informative.”*

“The breakout sessions were excellent, providing very good information.”



*“Thank you for the wonderful opportunity. **Could not have been better.**”*



40 military, government and community organizations had exhibitor tables at the Symposium, with time during breaks and lunch for networking and information sharing.

“I have made many new contacts and we will be able to work together to move forward to help vets.”



“The conference was wonderful!!!! I met many great people and learned a lot!”





Military displays of equipment and memorabilia added to the participant experience.

350 representatives of military, government and community organizations participated in the 2015 Symposium.



“Thank you for all your hard work and dedication in planning this event. I knew it would be great but never thought it would be this wonderful. Everything from the facility and all the fabulous food that they provided for us to the subjects covered and the featured speakers and panelists – it was all above our expectations. Now I can't wait until the next one.”

99% of attendee surveys indicated they would attend a similar event in the future and would recommend the Symposium to their colleagues.

Special thanks to our 2015 Symposium Event Sponsors for your support of the military/veteran community!

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