

## JOB4VETS SUCCESS STORY

### A Better Life



Ms. Julie Hoyte is a US Army veteran with over 21 years of military & civilian healthcare experience, with the last 10 years focused on clinical education and training, & health IT; more specifically, 5 years supporting the Defense Health Agency, as a functional subject matter expert for ACAT I & other systems, providing project & software lifecycle development support.

In 2013, Ms. Hoyte decided to create her own business and founded Health Information Technology Solutions (HITS). HITS, an emerging Service-Disabled Veteran & Economically Disadvantaged Woman Owned Small Business delivers quality health IT services to federal and commercial organizations.

Beginning HITS was a quality of life decision for Ms. Hoyte. She wanted to combine her passion for health IT with a work environment that was more health conscience and conducive for service disabled veterans like herself. "I want to work without the stress of maintaining overall health in a workplace caught up in the office politics around teleworking. Creating HITS is about quality of life," Hoyte explains.

Ms. Hoyte came to the Business Development Assistance Group (BDAG) with the necessary paperwork for starting a business completed; she only was waiting on the Veterans Administration to verify her company as Service-Disabled. BDAG provided her with the tools and resources to create a business plan, market her company, run her company and much more. BDAG still provides feedback on HITS' proposals to government requests for proposals (RFPs). BDAG assisted with the business component, but all the knowledge and drive comes from her.

As a service disabled veteran with vast experience in federal health and health information technology, she knows various systems inside and out. "I have a unique perspective on federal health. As an allied health care provider, I understand various workflows and can serve as a bridge between the functional and technical health IT communities. I understand the need for the technology tools to manage information in a way that increases the efficiency and efficacy of care by making all pertinent health information accessible to providers and patients. As a consumer of federal health care, I understand the patients' needs and frustrations. They want to ensure they are receiving the best possible care and require a system that is intuitive and easy to navigate. This is what health informatics is all about. This is what HITS provides," says Hoyte. Ms. Hoyte's varied clinical background, coupled with her tenacity and attention to detail, will make her a valuable asset in the federal and commercial health IT industries.

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