



NICE Community Coordinating Council
Meeting Agenda
September 30, 2025 | 3:30-4:45PM ET

Zoom Webinar: <https://nist.zoomgov.com/j/1614783163>
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- I. Introduction and Ground Rules** –Susana Barraza, NICE Program Manager
- II. Opening Remarks**
 - a. Academic Co-Chair – Zarina Blankenbaker, Ph.D., President, Tarrant County College – Northwest
 - b. Industry Co-Chair – Michael Alicea, Chief Human Resources Officer, Trellix
 - c. Government Co-Chair - Rodney Petersen, Director of Education and Workforce, NIST
- III. Featured Content**
 - a. Strategy Stories – New Developments that align to NICE Strategic Plan
America's Talent Strategy: Building the Workforce for the Golden Age
Presented by David Langdon, U.S. Department of Commerce
URL: <https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/OPA/newsreleases/2025/08/Americas-Talent-Strategy-Building-the-Workforce-for-the-Golden-Age.pdf>
 - b. Report Roundup – Learning from Good Ideas

2025 NCyTE Cybersecurity Alumni Workforce Study
Presented by Michele Robinson, Senior Director, NCyTE Center, Whatcom Community College
URL: <https://www.ncyte.net/academia/faculty/faculty-resources/ncyte-cybersecurity-alumni-workforce-study-2025>
 - c. Framework Feature – Applications and Uses of Workforce Framework for Cybersecurity
Schneider Electric + The NICE Framework
Presented by Dee Kimata, Global Cybersecurity Thought Leadership Director, Schneider Electric
URL: <https://www.se.com/us/en/>
- IV. Community Progress Reports**
 - a. Working Group Update
 - i. Promote Career Discover
Co-chair: Karl Cureton, Council Exchange Board of Trade (CEBOT)

b. Community of Interest Update

- i. Cybersecurity in Apprenticeships
Lead: Mike Prebil, NICE

c. Project Progress Reports

- i. US Cyber Games
Presented by Jessica Gulick, Katzcy
URL: <https://www.uscybergames.com/>
- ii. Cybersecurity Career Week
Presented by Davina Pruitt-Mentle, NICE
URL: <https://www.nist.gov/itl/applied-cybersecurity/nice/events/cybersecurity-career-week>
- iii. NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference
December 8-9, 2025, Nashville, TN
Presented by Felicia Rateliff, iKeepSafe
URL: <https://www.k12cybersecurityconference.org/>
- iv. NICE Conference and Expo
June 1-3, 2026, Philadelphia, PA
Presented by Barbara Peres-Furones, Florida International University
URL: <https://niceconference.org/>

V. Featured Topic

- a. *Charting a Course to the Next NICE Strategic Plan*
Presented by Danielle Santos and Karen Wetzel, NICE
URL: <https://www.nist.gov/itl/applied-cybersecurity/nice/about/strategic-plan>

VI. Closing Remarks and Next Meeting Reminder

The next NICE Community Coordinating Council Meeting will be **October 28, 2025**, at 3:30PM ET.

Upcoming Meetings:

- [NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education COI](#): October 9, 2025, 3:30-4:30PM ET
- [NICE Cybersecurity Career Ambassadors COI](#): October 10, 2025, 1:00 – 2:00 PM ET
- [NICE Transform Learning Process WG](#): October 14, 2025, 2:00-3:00PM ET
- [NICE Promote Career Discovery WG](#): No meeting – the group is hosting a special event (webinar) during Cybersecurity Career Week. See Oct 21 event details below.

Upcoming Events:

- [NICE Webinar Series](#):

- [Mental Health in Focus - Managing Burnout and Finding Balance in Cybersecurity Work](#) - October 1, 2025
 - [Cybersecurity Influencers: Making Careers Click in the Digital Age](#) - October 21, 2025 (*CCW Special Event*)
- [Cybersecurity Career Week](#): October 20-25, 2025
- [NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference](#): December 8-9, 2025, Nashville, TN
- [NICE Conference & Expo](#): June 1-3, 2026, Philadelphia, PA
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