

Code of Conduct

The Patriot Labs PartnerNetwork ("PartnerNetwork") aspires to abide by this Code of Conduct, thereby conducting activities and business in accordance with uncompromising ethical standards and in full compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. In the course of engaging in the PartnerNetwork, integrity must underlie all Member participation. Each Member is expected to adhere to high ethical standards, promote ethical behavior and be honest and forthright in dealings with one another, as well as with the Government, affiliate business partners, and the public.

Acknowledgements

Commitment to Ethical Conduct: Members must not engage in conduct or any activity that may raise questions as to the Members' honesty, ethics, or reputation. Every action should be judged by considering whether it is legal, fair to all concerned, able to withstand public scrutiny, and in the best interests of the Warfighter. When pursuing potential opportunities, or if awarded a prototype R&D or follow-on contract, Member agrees to abide by all conditions agreed to within the executed contract. Each Member is responsible for being familiar with the laws governing their areas of business and work with the government. If a member has a question concerning the applicability of any law or regulation to a contemplated action, it is that Member's responsibility to seek guidance to ensure compliance.

Commitment to Respectful and Courteous Participation: The work performed by PartnerNetwork members relies on cooperation and partnership among a broad diversity of people, ideas, and communication styles across government, industry, and academia. Member commits to develop and demonstrate ideas respectfully and is encouraged to share concepts as well as provide constructive feedback to concepts shared by other members.

Commitment to Support the Warfighter: The PartnerNetwork is focused on developing and operationalizing solutions that meet diverse technical and operational environments of the Warfighter. The goal of the PartnerNetwork is to maintain and enhance Warfighter readiness through technology-centric rapid prototypes and capability deployment projects. Each Member commits to working, whether individually or collaboratively, to support the Warfighter within PartnerNetwork facilitated activities, programs, and projects.

Expulsion, Suspension, or Censure for Cause: The PartnerNetwork has the authority to expel, suspend, or censure any member for cause. Cause shall mean conduct that is damaging to the operations, programs, projects, or mission of the PartnerNetwork; and shall include any material breach of this Code of Conduct, or any contract entered into as a result of membership in the PartnerNetwork. No person who has been expelled from membership, and no member that has been suspended, shall (during the period of the suspension) be allowed any of the rights or privileges of membership in the PartnerNetwork. Service on integrated project teams, committees, work groups, and project solicitations at all levels, shall be denied to a person or organization expelled or suspended (during the period of the suspension) from the PartnerNetwork. Access to PartnerNetwork discussion groups and collaboration areas shall be denied to a person or organization expelled or suspended (during the period of the suspension) when possible. Any membership dues paid by expelled or suspended members of the PartnerNetwork will not be reimbursed or refunded.