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### WOMEN AND WELLNESS

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Women comprise 46.5 percent of the total labor force in the United States. In the Department of Defense, they are the fastest-growing group of veterans, and by 2020, will account for 20 percent of all veterans under the age of 45. Optimum health and fitness for women is in the national interest—on the battlefield, in the workplace, or at home.

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