



**MARIA COTTRELL, Marine/ Wounded Warrior Caregiver Spouse**

Talent Management Gateway Assistant

Maria Cottrell is an Air Force 'brat' who has been married to her Marine Corps husband Warren for over 11 years. While Warren was serving three tours of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan, Maria was responsible for caring for their two daughters (the youngest was born while Warren was deployed).

Maria worked previously as a medical technician and administrative assistant for a retirement facility and as an assistant manager for a clothing store. Maria's corporate responsibilities have included requisition posting, applicant tracking, applicant outreach, and administrative support duties.

Maria joined the MSCCN in January 2010 and she is an inspiration to every person who meets her. Maria's husband Warren suffers from PTSD and TBI and Maria is his caregiver, as well as a valuable contributor to the MSCCN mission. With her personal knowledge of the challenges facing warrior caregivers and her passion for assisting other military spouses achieve their employment goals, Maria has brought new depth to the MSCCN team.