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## News Release

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### Anchorage native earns military decorations

**BETHESDA, Md.** – An Anchorage, Ala., native assigned to the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences here recently earned two military decorations for her military service.

Navy Hospital Corpsman 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Golda Winston, daughter of Reginald and Catherine Winston, received the Joint Service Achievement Medal and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal during USU's Quarterly Enlisted Breakfast April 30.

“When I received the awards at the official announcement, I was caught by surprise, however the feeling was that of privilege and accomplishment,” said Winston.

Besides serving the university as a surgical technician and laser optics specialist for its preventive medicine and biometrics department, Winston has also served as a facilitator for USU's newly formed Tri-Service Assessment Team. While serving as a facilitator, she earned the JSAM by detecting potential equal opportunity quandaries and providing training recommendations as well as distributing and collecting command assessment surveys, which measures the quality of the university's EO environment.

Additionally, while temporarily assigned to the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Winston earned the NAM by serving as a sentry supervisor during a state of increased terrorist threats and changing anti-terrorism and force protection conditions throughout the NNMC compound.

“By receiving these awards, it has motivated me to a springboard of actions to continue articulating a positive mental attitude. I realize the more I learn, the more it elevates me to a level of success,” said Winston.

Winston graduated from Robert Service High School in Anchorage in 1992 before joining the Navy in 1997 to serve her country. When she's not busy, Winston enjoys photography, exercising and traveling.

USU was established by Congress under the Department of Defense in 1972 and has the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. It has provided the country with close to 3,500 military and public health physicians, as well as scientists and health care practitioners.