

May 2016 Newsletter

This month was filled with many veterans who earned certifications and are one step closer to completing their programs. Therefore, the focus of our May newsletter is about the resources you can leverage to achieve industry certification. In this edition you will learn about former Blue Ocean student turned Veteran Services Support team member Ed Ohrablo, our Student Resource Center, Career Services Center, labs, and forums. Have a great month and keep moving forward in your studies.



Ed Ohrablo started as a student in the Blue Ocean program. After successfully completing the Blue Ocean program and earning certifications in CompTIA A+, Network+, Security+, Word 2013, and Outlook 2013, he was hired at LearnKey as a Veteran Services Support team member. Please take

a minute to learn about Ed and his journey.

- 1. What was your professional background prior to being employed at LearnKey? An x-ray tech. I've worked in hospitals, clinics and mobile units. Anywhere from pediatrics to geriatrics.
- 2. What is your military background? A hospital Corpsman in the Navy. I spent 3 years in Japan, and another 3+ years assigned to USMC units providing medical support for different units.
- 3. As a veteran, in 50 words or fewer, describe how your skills and experience have been a benefit to you and the LKVS team. Life experience. I've been where our students come from. I can empathize and relate concerning school, work, and medical problems, all at once.
- 4. What is the best piece of advice you would give to a veteran working through their courses in the Blue Ocean program? Listen to your VSRs. They have seen students fail and pass. They know what works, they see what the successful students are doing and share that information with other vets. There are many resources; TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALL OF THEM.
- 5. What do you do in your free time? I like amateur photography (especially unique buildings) and geocaching with my family. Both of these go together nicely.

Certification Corner

- Bob H. FL Outlook 2013
- Michael B. MI A+ 901
- William H. MO A+ 901
- Stephen N. WA A+ 901
- Jeffrey T. MI Outlook 2013
- Cory O. MI PowerPoint 2013
- Timothy L. OK A+ 802
- Kenneth A. IL A+901
- James R. OH Outlook 2013
- Lyndsey H. OH Word 2013
- James A. MI Word 2013
- Jason D. CA Excel 2013
- David M. MI Sec+
- Jason R. OH Outlook 2013
- Matthew B. OH Word 2013
- Robert H. FL PowerPoint
 2013
- Dennis L. NJ A+ 901
- Jon G. KS A+ 901
- Shawn K. OH Outlook 2013
- Jeff T. MI PowerPoint 2013
- Matt B. OH Outlook 2013 & PowerPoint 2013

LearnKey Veteran Services Launches Career Services Center

Last month we officially launched our Career Services Center. It continues to be a benefit to our students who reference it and will continue to grow in information and resources. Check back often to see what's new

Career Services Website Overview:

<u>Potential Students</u> - This page outlines why it is important to be industry certified. You will find tools like our Career Path overview, which shows various career tracks and the certifications that correspond, along with the opportunity to submit your resume to be reviewed and receive feedback from our Job Ready team.

Students and Alumni Page - With topics ranging from job searching to interviewing, this page is valuable for anyone who needs a little extra help while searching for a job in 2016.

<u>Employer Page</u> - Why should you hire a LearnKey veteran? This page will answer this question by reviewing the foundation of professional skills a LearnKey veteran obtains as they complete their program.

Share Your Exam Experience on our Forums!

Be sure to share your exam experience right after you take one on our <u>Student Forum</u>. This will allow you to help other veterans by sharing areas of the certification exam that you wish you had prepared better for, and share your success!

Student Resource Center

Do you need extra help with your certification preparation? Or are you looking for a past issue of our newsletter? Make our **Student Resource Center** your first stop. We regularly update and add new information. So check back regularly and see whats new.

How Are We Doing? We Value Your Feedback!

Our top priority is to provide all of our students with the support, resources, and knowledge they would need to be successful in their Blue Ocean programs. We want to know how we are doing. In the link below you will find a quick online survey. This anonymous survey will help us determine the areas we need to improve in to help our students have the best learning experience possible. http://veterans.learnkey.com/feedback.php

Please join me in congratulating all those who obtained certifications this month and send best wishes to those who are preparing to take an exam in the upcoming month. Don't forget to take advantage of our weekly tutoring sessions or practice labs.

Our team is here to help you succeed. Please don't hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards, Jeff Coruccini CEO, LearnKey, Inc.

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