** Dinner Meeting Announcement **

Join the Baltimore-Washington Chapter of the Health Physics Society

**Tuesday, October 23, 2018**

*Nuclear Defense Policy*

Major General Julie Bentz  
Director for Nuclear Defense Policy, National Security Staff

**Location:**  
Pi Pizza  
910 F Street NW, Washington, DC, 20004  
202-393-5484  
http://pi-pizza.com

**Agenda:**  
6 pm Social hour, cash bar  
7 pm Dinner  
8 pm Speaker

**Menu:**  
Garlic bread, blazed veggies or Pi hummus, Salad, and 6 varieties of Pi pizza.

**Cost:**  
$30 members, $35 non-members, $10 students

**RSVP:**  
Requested by Noon, October 17  
Register online at [https://bwchps.wildapricot.org/event-3082856](https://bwchps.wildapricot.org/event-3082856)  
or email Dan Blumenthal at bwchps.meetings@gmail.com

**Parking:**  
Street parking and garage parking at 900 F St NW

**Metro:**  
Gallery Place Station (Red Line) is 1 block away.
Abstract
How is policy built? Major General Julie Bentz has a background in emergency response spanning from Chernobyl to Fukushima and has been at the forefront of policy and doctrine development from the lessons learned in these emergencies. Julie will take you on a rollicking account of how the international chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear response protocol came about. Get an inside perspective on how the White House works during a crisis and engage with her on ideas and outcomes of “what would have happened if…?” The evening will involve audience participation.

About the Speaker
Major General (MG) Julie A. Bentz, Ph.D., is the Deputy Senior Director for WMD and Biodefense Policy on the National Security Council. In this capacity, she coordinates the development of national policies and programs to reduce global threats from nuclear, chemical, and radiological weapons, and biological threats from naturally occurring, deliberate, or accidental sources; detect, identify, secure and eliminate nuclear materials; prevent proliferation; increase strategic stability through arms control; and prevent the use of emerging technology for the development of WMD. MG Bentz most recently served as Vice Director for Plans & Programs for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) as the executive charged with synchronizing DTRA programs with strategic requirements from across the Department of Defense and the U.S. Government to combat WMD and emerging improvised threats. MG Bentz has served in a variety of active, reserve and National Guard assignments revolving around nuclear defense, homeland security, health physics, environmental sciences and traditional nuclear, biological and chemical officer assignments. Dr. Bentz holds a Ph.D. in nuclear engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia.