

***Sherrill L. Nicely, Chief Information Security Officer, Central Intelligence Agency***

**Sherrill L. Nicely** started her tenure as CIA's Chief Information Security Officer in May 2012. She is responsible for overseeing the defensive posture of the Agency's cyber security capabilities, including governing blue team assessments of agency IT for cyber security sufficiency. She ensures Cyber Security Group (CSG) provides appropriate advice and guidance to the Agency and IC to protect CIA digital information and cyber resources, develops and implements protective cyber countermeasures, and monitors the cyber security of Agency IT resources. She certifies all Agency IT systems, and recommends accreditation decisions to the Approving Official.

Prior to this assignment, Ms. Nicely served as the CIA's Deputy Chief Information Officer, acting as the CIO's alter ego to lead agency efforts to modernize Enterprise Information Technology (EIT), making information secure, accessible, and standardized. As Deputy CIA CIO, she performed critical leadership functions, including chairing governance boards to recommend EIT resource allocation, championing development of modern EIT Policy and guidelines, and leading CIO initiatives to improve technical capabilities for sharing information with foreign partners.

From April 2008 through August 2010, Ms. Nicely served as the Deputy Intelligence Community Chief Information Officer. In this role, she oversaw the budget and assisted in formulating improvements to digital information sharing throughout the Intelligence Community, with customers, warfighters and policymakers, and with our closest allied partners.

From 2006 through 2008, Ms. Nicely served as the Deputy Associate Director of National Intelligence for Intelligence Community Information Technology Governance (DADNI/ICTG), where she was responsible for formulating policies and guidelines to secure the Intelligence Community enterprise, including the provision of a single identity for Intelligence Community personnel, and improvements to mechanisms for providing role-based access to information. In addition, she led IC CIO activities supporting improvements to the Intelligence Community's cybersecurity posture.

From June 2002 through January 2006, Ms. Nicely served as the Director for Information Assurance in the Office of the Intelligence Community Chief Information Officer (IC CIO), overseeing the community's compliance with information assurance policies and requirements. From 1999 until joining the IC CIO staff, Ms. Nicely served as the CIA CIO InfoSec Liaison, representing CIA equities at many government fora. Ms. Nicely also served as the Information System Security Manager (ISSM) for CIA systems that share information with the Community. In this role, she was responsible for the overall security of the systems and sensitive information provided, as well as ensuring that CIA staff could collaborate with others.