



**Ebony Pierce**Head of Cyber, TAK Product Center

A distinguished cybersecurity expert and thought leader, Ebony Pierce brings over 15 years of experience in information security, with a robust academic foundation including a B.S. in Computer Science and an M.S.M. in Information Systems Security.

Currently serving as the Head of Cyber for the TAK Product Center, Pierce has held pivotal roles across defense and intelligence sectors, including positions at the Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Army, and Department of State. Her expertise includes an impressive array of certifications including CISSP, ISSEP, and AWS Cloud Practitioner. She's also been engaged for significant speaking opportunities, including the keynote role for "Dexter's Cybersecurity Lab" at Squadcon and "Don't Trust Nobody — Zero Trust" at DEFCON's BlackGirlsHack Village.

Pierce is a recognized industry leader, having received multiple accolades including the Annual Assistant Secretary Award for Secure Systems Engineering and has contributed significantly to the cybersecurity community through various publications and presentations while maintaining active involvement in professional organizations such as BsidesLV, ISC2, ISACA, and SABSA.