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Aviation Structural Mechanic 1st Class Bryan Menchen, a San Diego Recruiter, speaks to Sailors about the benefits of joining the Navy Reserve at a Career Expo at Naval Base San Diego.

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Shipmates,

As the new Chief of Navy Reserve, I am committed to developing career options that enable you to “Stay Navy” and personalize your career. For the past four years, VADM Debbink worked tirelessly to break down barriers and create the policies and resources that enable your desire to serve. FORCM Wheeler and I will continue these efforts and work to expand the options and tools the Continuum of Service (CoS) now offers. Today, there are a number of resources that will help guide your career decisions.

A [Pay and Benefits Guide](#) is one tool that will help you understand all the financial advantages of remaining in the Navy. Another tool is the [Retirement Calculator](#). Both are online and can be accessed through the Navy Reserve Homeport website.

A major concern of many Reserve Sailors is health care. Today, virtually all Sailors and their family members qualify for [TRICARE Reserve Select \(TRS\)](#). The [Transition Assistant Management Program](#) also provides Reserve Sailors 180 days of healthcare after a SELRES transition.

The [Post 9/11 GI Bill](#) provides financial support for education and housing to individuals with at least 90 days of aggregate service on or after September 11, 2001. This benefit can also be transferred to your spouse or children.

[FleetRIDE for SELRES](#) pulls together the information Reserve Sailors need to make better career choices. This sophisticated online tool matches an individual’s knowledge, skills, and abilities with career progression opportunities, and allows the Navy Reserve to deliver a more ready and skilled force.

These are just a few of the tools at your disposal. The Continuum of Service concept recognizes that the Navy is an all volunteer force. Each and every one of us has selflessly taken an oath to support and defend our Constitution and the Nation. In return, our covenant to you is to provide challenging and meaningful work while recognizing that our Sailors need flexibility and choices when deciding how best to respond to life’s challenges and opportunities. The ability to easily change “lanes” between RC, AC or the IRR under the CoS umbrella is a critical element in making it easy to choose a Lifetime of Service.

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