

**NKO does it your way**  
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NORFOLK, Va. -- The Sailors of today expect drive through service with little to no waiting. NKO delivers.

NKO version 3 is coming with even more Sailor-oriented, personalized and tailored options. “Sailors want instant gratification and the new NKO can give that,” said Lt. Eric Morris, NKO Program Manager at Naval Personnel Development Command (NPDC).

Another benefit of version 3 is a privacy feature not available on the previous version.

“In version 3, Sailors can set up private discussion boards to discuss subjects pertinent to their professional communities,” said Chris Piereman, member of the NKO Operations Support team. For example, if the Aerographers wanted to put out information that only related to their community, they could create a discussion board for only Aerographers.

Version 3 is also offering a “Low-Bandwidth” option for easier accessibility.

NKO is the “one-stop shop” portal all Sailors can use to find information concerning them and their jobs. “This portal provides access to Navy information and more,” said Piereman. NKO is the doorway for Sailors to EXCEL, not only in their professional lives but in their personal lives as well.

NKO is the doorway to “My Health,” “My Education,” and “My Finance.” These pages include just about everything a Sailor would want to access – including items like the PRIMS system for physical readiness assessment, Navy e-learning, SMART transcripts and the Morningstar program.

Morningstar is a financial program meant to offer financial information and advice to Sailors free of charge. Morningstar allows the Sailor to educate themselves on buying and investing in stocks, IRAs, mutual funds and more.

Gale's website is another service now available. A reference library, Gale's is an online reference tool that gives Sailors unprecedented educational resources. For Sailors working on a college degree, Gale's is like having your own personal college library 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

“These are new services and they are available right now,” said Piereman “ We’re always looking for feedback from the Sailors on how to improve NKO services.”

Every section on NKO has a community manager who responds to Sailors’ comments and suggestions.

“If a Sailor wants something else or would like to have something put on that page, just click on the community manager link and it automatically sets up an ‘e-mail.’ Send in your comments, both good and bad and help us to make NKO your homepage,” said Morris.

Let NPDC know how to “have it your way.” Visit [www.nko.navy.mil](http://www.nko.navy.mil) to find out more.