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## Top Skills

Global Health Security  
National Security  
Foreign Policy

# Elizabeth (Beth) Cameron

Global Health Security professional  
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

## Summary

Global team builder, complex problem solver, and change-maker with 20+ years experience as a national and global leader in health security and biodefense. Helped establish and re-establish White House National Security Council Directorate on Global Health Security and Biodefense. Oversaw U.S. efforts to respond to COVID-19 globally and to prevent, detect, and respond to future pandemics and other biological crises. Track record of facilitating national and global change at the highest levels of government, including over 5 years experience on the National Security Council staff and leadership positions spanning policy and implementation in the Department of Defense and Department of State, as well as Congressional, academic, and non-governmental experience. Specializes in standing up teams and solving complex challenges across sectors and around the world to foster concrete commitments, align goals, and take action to achieve measurable changes. Strong fund-raising and financial management experience, including launching NTI | bio and securing over \$15M in new funding in 3 years as well as oversight for multi-million dollar budgets at the Departments of State and Defense.

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## Experience

### USAID

Senior Advisor for Global Health Security

July 2022 - Present (1 year 2 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Senior Advisor for Global Health Security, USAID Bureau of Global Health

### Brown University School of Public Health

Brown University School of Public Health, Professor

June 2022 - Present (1 year 3 months)

Brown University School of Public Health, Pandemic Center, Professor of the practice of health services, policy, and practice

## Council on Foreign Relations

Member

June 2017 - Present (6 years 3 months)

## National Security Council, The White House

Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Global Health Security & Biodefense

January 2021 - May 2022 (1 year 5 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Re-established White House NSC Directorate for Global Health Security & Biodefense, I served as WH/NSC lead for countering bio threats, led interagency coordination for U.S. Government global COVID-19 response, and shaped and coordinated Biden-Harris Administration strategy and planning for domestic and global biopreparedness, including the COVID-19 Summits and work toward establishing a new pandemic preparedness and global health security fund.

## Nuclear Threat Initiative

2 years 11 months

Vice President, Global Biological Policy and Programs

October 2017 - January 2020 (2 years 4 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

<http://www.nti.org/about/leadership-staff/elizabeth-cameron/>

Senior Director for Global Biological Policy and Programs

March 2017 - October 2017 (8 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

<http://www.nti.org/newsroom/news/beth-cameron-joins-nti-lead-global-biological-policy-and-programs/>

<http://www.nti.org/about/leadership-staff/elizabeth-cameron/>

## National Security Council, The White House

Senior Director for Global Health Security and Biodefense, White House, NSC staff

September 2016 - March 2017 (7 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

- Led a matrixed team of independent, highly trained professionals to achieve NSC-wide goals, advance Presidential priorities, and address and overcome challenges to achieving those aims

- Developed and led new NSC Directorate on Global Health Security and Biodefense, reporting directly to National Security Advisor, Deputy Homeland Security Advisor, and Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism
- Chaired Global Health Security Agenda International Review Council
- Envisioned and achieved concrete commitments from G-7 Leaders, Nordic countries, and G-20 partners
- Assisted in securing and tracks implementation of \$1 billion in new funding
- Planned and executed GHSA Summit, gaining over 100 new commitments from 44 countries
- Briefed and staffed the President, National Security Advisor, Homeland Security Advisor, other senior staff

#### Executive Office of the President

Director, Countering Biological Threats, National Security Council staff  
April 2013 - September 2016 (3 years 6 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

#### United States Department of Defense

2 years 10 months

Senior Advisor, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical & Biological Defense Programs

January 2012 - April 2013 (1 year 4 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Office Director, Cooperative Threat Reduction, Assistant Secretary of Defense, NCB

July 2010 - January 2012 (1 year 7 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

U.S. Department of State, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation

6 years 11 months

Deputy Director, Acting; Team Chief, Cooperative Threat Reduction Office

March 2004 - July 2010 (6 years 5 months)

American Association for the Advancement of Science, Science Policy Fellow

September 2003 - March 2004 (7 months)

### American Cancer Society

Director, Policy Research, National Government Relations Department  
October 2001 - September 2003 (2 years)

### United States Senate

Health Policy Office of Senator Edward M. Kennedy, AAAS Science  
Policy Fellow, U.S. Senate  
September 2000 - October 2001 (1 year 2 months)  
Washington D.C. Metro Area

### The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Post-Doctoral researcher  
January 2000 - September 2000 (9 months)  
Baltimore, Maryland Area

### Johns Hopkins University

Graduate Student and PhD Candidate  
September 1994 - January 2000 (5 years 5 months)  
Defended PhD thesis in fall, 1999; received PhD in January, 2000.

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## Education

### The Johns Hopkins University

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Biology, Human Genetics and Molecular  
Biology · (1994 - 2000)

### University of Virginia

Bachelor's Degree, Biology, General · (1990 - 1994)

### Arundel High School

High School · (1987 - 1990)