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Dr. Jennifer Jacobs is the CEO and co-founder of Connect Our Kids, a non-profit organization using technology and data to improve outcomes and prioritize relational health for children and families involved in the child welfare system. Jennifer served on active duty in the U.S. Army as a military police platoon leader and jumpmaster at Fort Bragg, NC. She deployed with her unit to Haiti as part of U.S. and United Nations peacekeeping missions in 1994 and 1995. She also served in the U.S. Army Reserve as a team leader, a unit commander, a general's aide, and a nuclear operations officer.

Jennifer also spent eight years at Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, NM, leading teams working in numerous foreign countries addressing nuclear security and tracking terrorist networks across the globe. She also had the opportunity to work with the U.S. Postal Service following the anthrax letter attacks in late 2001, examining and testing feasibility of various technical approaches for ensuring the safety of the mail. She was a White House Fellow in the class of 2005 to 2006, serving with the National Security Council and working with interagency programs on foreign border control. Jennifer earned her bachelor's degree in physics from the United States Military Academy (West Point) in 1993, a master's degree in environmental engineering from the University of Florida, and a PhD in nuclear engineering from the University of New Mexico.