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Eileen: Welcome to the SEI Podcast Series, a production of the Carnegie Mellon University Software Engineering Institute. The SEI is a federally funded research and development center sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense and operated by Carnegie Mellon University. A transcript of today's podcast is posted on the SEI website at sei.cmu.edu/podcasts.

My name is Eileen Wrubel. I am the initiative lead for the Continuous Lifecycle Solutions Initiative here at the SEI. Today we are here to interview Suzanne Miller, a principal researcher in the Agile-in-

Government program at the SEI. This is part of our series of podcasts highlighting the work of women in software and cybersecurity. Suzanne is typically on the other side of the table asking the questions during podcasts, but today we get to hear her story. Welcome, Suzanne.

1. **Eileen**: Let's start at the beginning. Tell me about your childhood. What did you want to grow up to be when you were a child? Did you do math problems in your head?
2. **Eileen:** Tell me about your journey into the field of software. Did you have any mentors along the way? If so, are there any particular life lessons that you learned along the way?
3. **Eileen:** Let's move forward to present-day. What do you do here at the SEI? Tell our audience what a typical day for you is like. I know you are one of our road warriors. Tell us about the work that you do at client sites. How often do you travel?
4. **Eileen:** Can you tell us about one of the more challenging times that you have experienced in your work life. How did you move through it?

5. **Eileen:** Tell us something interesting about you that does not relate to your work. This may not be the thing you want to tell us, but I know that you attend the Pennsic War every August near Slippery Rock Pennsylvania. Can you tell us about your involvement in that?
6. **Eileen:** In this age of information overload, where do you go to get information to stay current in your field? What do you read? What podcasts do you listen to?
7. **Eileen**: If you could give one piece of advice to a young person who is considering entering a STEM field, what would it be?

Eileen: Thanks so much for joining us today.

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