

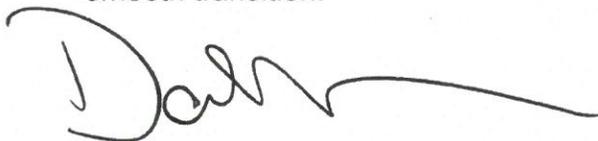
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From: Under Secretary for Health (10)

Subj: VHA Organizational Chart

To: VHA Central Office Senior Leaders  
VHA VISN Network Directors (10N1-10N23)  
VHA Medical Center Directors

1. The VA Budget and Choice Improvement Act calls for improving Veteran access to community care by consolidating community programs into one, new streamlined Veterans Choice Program (VCP). The new program will standardize Veteran eligibility, authorization, provider networks, care coordination, claims management, and the integration of current authorities into on new VCP.
2. On September 3, 2015, I approved the attached VHA organizational chart to illustrate the creation of the Office of Community Care. Initially, this office will consist of a Deputy Under Secretary for Health (DUSH) for Community Care and an Assistant Deputy Under Secretary for Health (ADUSH) for Community Care. The professionals selected for these positions will be responsible for the final design and implementation of the VCP based upon the plan that will be submitted to Congress on November 1, 2015.
3. The Chief Business Office (CBO) will be realigned from the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Operations and Management once we have provided written notification to members of Congress (FY 2015 Appropriations Act, PL 113-235, Section 232 and Section 510(d)(1) of Title 38, United States Code). Once that realignment happens, the DUSH for Community Care will lead the transition efforts needed to ensure the realization of VA's future vision for health care delivery. It should be noted that this initial realignment will not affect current operations nor immediately impact the current work of existing employees in the CBO. Any subsequent changes to units below the level of the Chief Business Officer will be an iterative process subject to notification requirements to employees, Union Partners, and Congress where needed.
4. The creation of VHA organizational charts will likely be an iterative process as we continue to set the future direction for VHA healthcare. VHA will meet all notification requirements to employees, Union partners, and Congress prior to any change occurring and will work collaboratively with all involved to ensure a smooth transition.



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