

VA Updates: EHRM and Caregivers

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EHRM



VA BEGINS EARLY-STAGE PLANNING FOR THE NEXT FEDERAL ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD ROLLOUT IN MID-2026

- Dec. 20, 2024 VA continues ongoing improvement efforts at existing sites.
- Early-stage planning to deploy the Federal Electronic Health Record (EHR) system to four Michigan facilities — Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Detroit, and Saginaw — in mid-2026.



INCREASING VETERAN TRUST IN VA HEALTH CARE AT ALL FACILITIES WITH THE EHR

- 93% at Columbus VA, an 11.6% increase since Q1 2023;
- 88% at Walla Walla VA, a 4% increase since Q1 2023;
- 92% at Mann-Grandstaff VA, a 3.5% increase since Q1 2023;
- 85% at Roseburg, a 5.2% increase since Q1 2023; and
- 89% at White City VA, a nearly 6.5% increase since Q1 2023.
- 90.8% from 90.2% North Chicago VA, has increased since Federal EHR deployment in Q2 2024.



DRAMATICALLY DECREASING OUTAGES, WHICH DISRUPT PATIENT CARE:

- Significant decrease in outages since January 2024.
- 100% uptime for 10 of the last 16 months.
- 99.8% uptime or better in the remaining months.
- Over 200 days since the last recorded outage.
- Reduced clinician interruptions, minimizing slowdowns for veterans.
- Improved clinician and staff satisfaction.
- Successful EHR launch in Chicago.



VA TO SPEED UP HEALTH RECORDS SYSTEM ROLLOUT, WITH NEW SITES THIS YEAR

- Initially planned as a 10-year, \$16 billion project.
- Nearly 8 years in, only 6 of VA's 170+ medical sites use the system.
- VA officials aim to accelerate deployment this year.
- 13 additional sites scheduled for implementation in 2026.



VA TO COMPLETE FEDERAL EHR DEPLOYMENT AT NINE ADDITIONAL SITES IN 2026

- March 6, 2025, VA announced it will complete deployment of the Federal Electronic Health Record (EHR) system at nine additional medical facilities, bringing the total to go live in 2026 to 13.
- Complete deployment of the EHR at all VA medical facilities as early as 2031.



VA NAMES NINE ADDITIONAL FACILITIES THAT WILL DEPLOY FEDERAL EHR IN 2026

- March 31, 2025, VA announced the following sites, located in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and Alaska
 - Cincinnati VAMC-Fort Thomas (Fort Thomas, KY)
 - Chillicothe VAMC (Chillicothe, OH)
 - Cincinnati VAMC (Cincinnati, OH)
 - □ Dayton VAMC (Dayton, OH)
 - Louis Stokes Cleveland VAMC (Cleveland, OH)
 - □ Fort Wayne VAMC (Fort Wayne, IN)
 - Marion VAMC (Marion, IN)
 - Richard L. Roudebush VAMC (Indianapolis, IN)
 - Alaska VA Healthcare System (Anchorage, AK)



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CAREGIVERS



ATTENTION CAREGIVERS

- VA Caregiver Support Program (CSP) stipends
 - Payments for eligible caregivers in the Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC) continue without disruption.
 - Caregivers receive stipend payments by the 5th of each month.
 - □ For questions specific to CSP stipends:
 - Reach out to our Caregiver Stipend Team at 1-833-930-0816.
 - For questions about VA caregiver support and how to apply:
 - Visit https://www.caregiver.va.gov or reach out to the VA Caregiver Support Line at 1-855-260-3274.

