

Information Technology Capital Investment Program
Project Status Report

To: Information Technology Strategy and Investment Committee
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Agency: Department of Veterans Affairs

Project: DVA Electronic Health Record (EHR) System

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Reporting Period: Project Inception through 06/30/2019

Total Funds Requested: \$1,118,956

Total Funds Allotted to Agency: \$1,118,956

Accumulative Total Capital Fund Expenditures to Date: \$1,110,555

Brief Project Description/Summary:

The extension of the project is necessary due to the Agency is transitioning its Healthcare Center from a Chronic Disease Hospital to a Skilled Nursing Facility. There are modification and modules needed to the original EMR scopes to accommodate this change.

The Agency replaced the old paper-based documentation of patient care and the antiquated legacy patient care system in the agency with an electronic health record system (EHR) in compliance with the HITECH Act. The DVA's EHR system will offer an enterprise-wide approach to meeting the needs in different aspects of patient care -- medical, nursing, clinical ancillary, medications, billing, accounts receivables, etc. Implementation of this new system will also ensure compliance with the HIPAA regulations.

As of July 29, 2019, the Agency is 99% complete implementing the EHR project -- during this period, the Agency completed the implementation of the care plan module and added the required Trust Fund Module and Medicare Billing Components..

The project manager consultant on the EHR implementation was retained 'till 06/30/19 to assist with any system related changes in the current environment required during the DVA's transition of Healthcare Services licensure from a Chronic Disease Hospital (CDH) to a Chronic Convalescent Nursing Home (CCNH) or dual licensure or variations thereof consistent with Section 18 of PA 18-81. Many moduels require modificationsas the requirement of CDH and CCNH are different. Currently, Patient Trust Module needs to be added for implementation and Billing module will need to be modified once the license is changed.

Summary of Progress Achieved to Date:

- Admission Discharge & Transfer Data imported
- - Go live Accounts Receivables/ Patient Billing
- Go live Laptops
- Go live Rehabilitation
- Go live Touch Screens
- Go live Dragon Dictation
- - Go live Minimum Data Set
- Go live CNA
- Go live Report Writer
- Go live Pharmacy Module and Automatic distribution system
- Go live Vital signs
- Go live GE-Mar and E-TAR
- Go live Progress Notes
- Go live Immunizations
- * Go live Orders: Complete
- * Go live Scheduler: Complete
- * Sunset PCS/PBS/CRS: Complete
- * Go live Patient Care Plan

Issues and Risks:

Issue/Risk	Mitigating Action
Staff availability for project	Schedule key project activities during times when the majority of staff are available

Next Steps & Project Milestones:

- Fine tune the system to support the operation as a Skilled Nursing Facility and efficient patient information/medical record system.
- * Fully implementation of EHR in DVA while maximizing on the billing/revenue.