



# FEDERAL ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD MODERNIZATION PROGRAM OFFICE

## WHAT IS THE FEHRM?

Chartered in December 2019, the Federal Electronic Health Record Modernization (FEHRM) program office:

- Drives capabilities to support effective health care delivery within the federal space
- Delivers capabilities enabling the Department of Defense (DOD), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) and other partners to deploy a single, common federal electronic health record (EHR)
- Provides health care providers with information technology (IT) solutions, bringing the right data about the right patient for the right encounter, to enhance clinical decision-making
- Enables adaptability and transformation of the federal space to support the dynamic delivery of care, such as virtual health technologies

### ★ MISSION

The FEHRM's primary mission is to implement a single, common federal EHR to enhance patient care and provider effectiveness, wherever care is provided.

### ★ OBJECTIVES

- Actively manage risks and the operation of the joint Federal Enclave
- Minimize risk to EHR deployment and implementation
- Identify opportunities for efficiency, standardization and optimization of systems and processes
- Advance interoperability across the federal and private sectors

## WHY A SINGLE, COMMON FEDERAL EHR?

An EHR is software used to securely document, store, retrieve, share and analyze information about individual patient care. It enables a digital version of a patient's health record. A single, common federal EHR puts the patient at the center and enhances care by:

- Enabling patient data wherever care is provided
- Reducing the times patients share their histories, undergo duplicative tests or manage printed records
- Creating seamless integration of health care data
- Ensuring more efficient care and a better patient experience

### ONE SOFTWARE BASELINE

DOD, VA and USCG are deploying a single, common federal EHR—one software baseline. By sharing an EHR, they can deliver health care services on a colossal scale, improving care quality, patient safety and patient outcomes. While the EHR is the federal source for a patient's health history, the joint health information exchange links the EHR information with the private sector.

## FEHRM LEADERSHIP

With experts in analytics, clinical care, IT, training and more, the FEHRM is driving federal solutions for a better health care experience for all.

### **WILLIAM J. TINSTON** DIRECTOR



As FEHRM Director, Mr. Tinston oversees efforts in implementing a single, common federal EHR with the DOD, VA and USCG. He is responsible for managing an organizational structure that enables joint decision-making and drives federal solutions for optimizing EHR implementation and operation.

Mr. Tinston has three decades of experience in defense acquisition program management, portfolio and investment management and enterprise information technology. He previously served as the Program Executive Officer for the Program Executive Office, Defense Healthcare Management Systems. In this role, he led the deployment of DOD's EHR. Additionally, he worked with VA and USCG to assist their transition to the same EHR as DOD, ensuring progress toward a single, common record for every beneficiary.

### **EDWARD L. REYELTS** DEPUTY DIRECTOR



As FEHRM Deputy Director, Mr. Reyelts oversees efforts in implementing a single, common federal EHR with DOD, VA and USCG. He is responsible for managing an organizational structure that enables joint decision-making and drives federal solutions for optimizing EHR implementation and operation.

Mr. Reyelts is a 22-year Veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps with extensive experience in enterprise information technology, including more than 13 years leading enterprise data center operations and running mission critical cloud services for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). He previously served as the Associate Chief Information Officer for the Digital Infrastructure Services Center at the USDA. In this role, he was responsible for enterprise cloud services, enterprise data centers, enterprise application services and enterprise network services.

### **LAUREN THOMPSON, PH.D** INTEROPERABILITY DIRECTOR

As FEHRM Interoperability Director, Dr. Thompson is responsible for interoperability strategy and planning, health interoperability standards and engagement with federal and industry partners to ensure the highest levels of interoperability between DOD, VA, USCG and the private sector. Dr. Thompson served as Director of the IPO during the critical years before it was re-chartered as the FEHRM.

### **MEREDITH JOSEPHS, M.D., MPH, FAFIP** CHIEF MEDICAL INFORMATICS OFFICER (CMIO)

As FEHRM CMIO, Dr. Josephs is responsible for executive oversight of clinical, business and clinical IT activities impacting the federal EHR and the exchange of health data with private sector partners. Previously, Dr. Josephs served as Vice President of Clinical Informatics at Privia Health. She led the company's clinical IT strategic initiatives.

### **MONICA FARAH-STAPLETON, PH.D** TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

As FEHRM Technical Director, Dr. Farah-Stapleton is responsible for executive oversight and technical orchestration of all engineering and cybersecurity activities impacting the federal EHR and the exchange of health data between the federal EHR and private sector partners. Before joining the FEHRM, Dr. Farah-Stapleton served as Chief Engineer for the DOD Healthcare Management System Modernization program management office.