

“Buy Vs. Build” Planning Process Map

	RESPONSIBLE	ACTIVITY	COMPLETE
Define scope of analysis	VISN Biomedical Engineers	Track overall VISN-wide service & maintenance spend	
	VAMC Biomedical Engineers	Maintain records of facility service & maintenance spend to feed into national and VISN service spend baseline	
Evaluate strategic considerations	VISN Biomedical Engineers	Provide VISN input to HTM National Program Office to help establish “buy vs. build” guidelines	
Plan for implementation	PEO	Provide planning support to biomedical community where decision is made to “build” internal service/maintenance and repair capabilities	
	VISN Biomedical Engineers	Support VISN-wide planning efforts when building new internal service/maintenance capabilities	
	VAMC Biomedical Engineers	Support facility-level planning efforts when building new internal service/maintenance capabilities	
Execute plans to build internal capabilities	VISN Biomedical Engineers	Coordinate with VAMC Biomedical Engineer shops to identify resources & investments required to operationalize new capabilities	
	VISN Biomedical Engineers	Support operationalization of new capabilities at VHA facilities	

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