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# Cloud CPRS

improving efficiency, user satisfaction, and  
veteran access to care via  
cloud streaming of CPRS

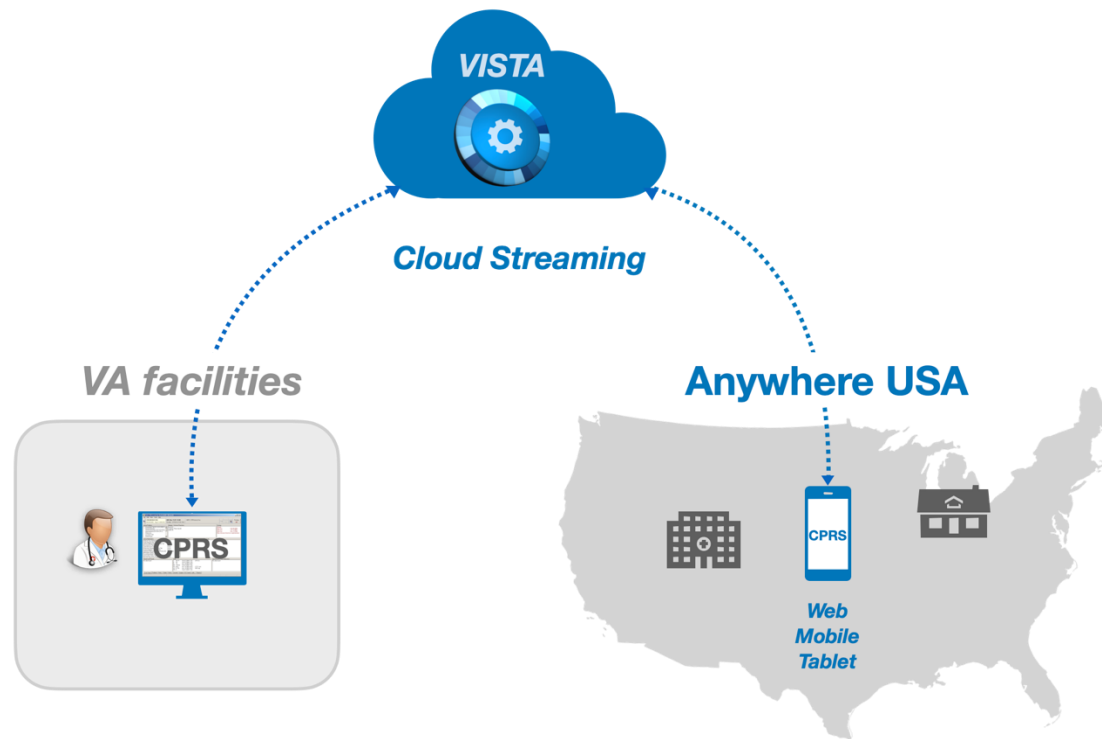
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# Cloud CPRS: Overview



## NETFLIX

*Cloud VISTA leverages AppStream technology to transform CPRS into a web streaming service. This is the same technology that streams Netflix into hundreds of millions of living rooms across the USA every day.*



Powered by VISTA  
[cloudvista.github.io](https://cloudvista.github.io)



# Cloud CPRS: Texas VAMC experience

- Valley Coastal Bend VAMC experience with Cloud CPRS
  - Efficiency improvement
  - Improved access to veteran care
  - Cost reduction
- Improvement on Clinicians and Patient experience



# Clinical Decision Support (CDS)

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*Synthesis of Research Paper* ■

## Ten Commandments for Effective Clinical Decision Support: Making the Practice of Evidence-based Medicine a Reality

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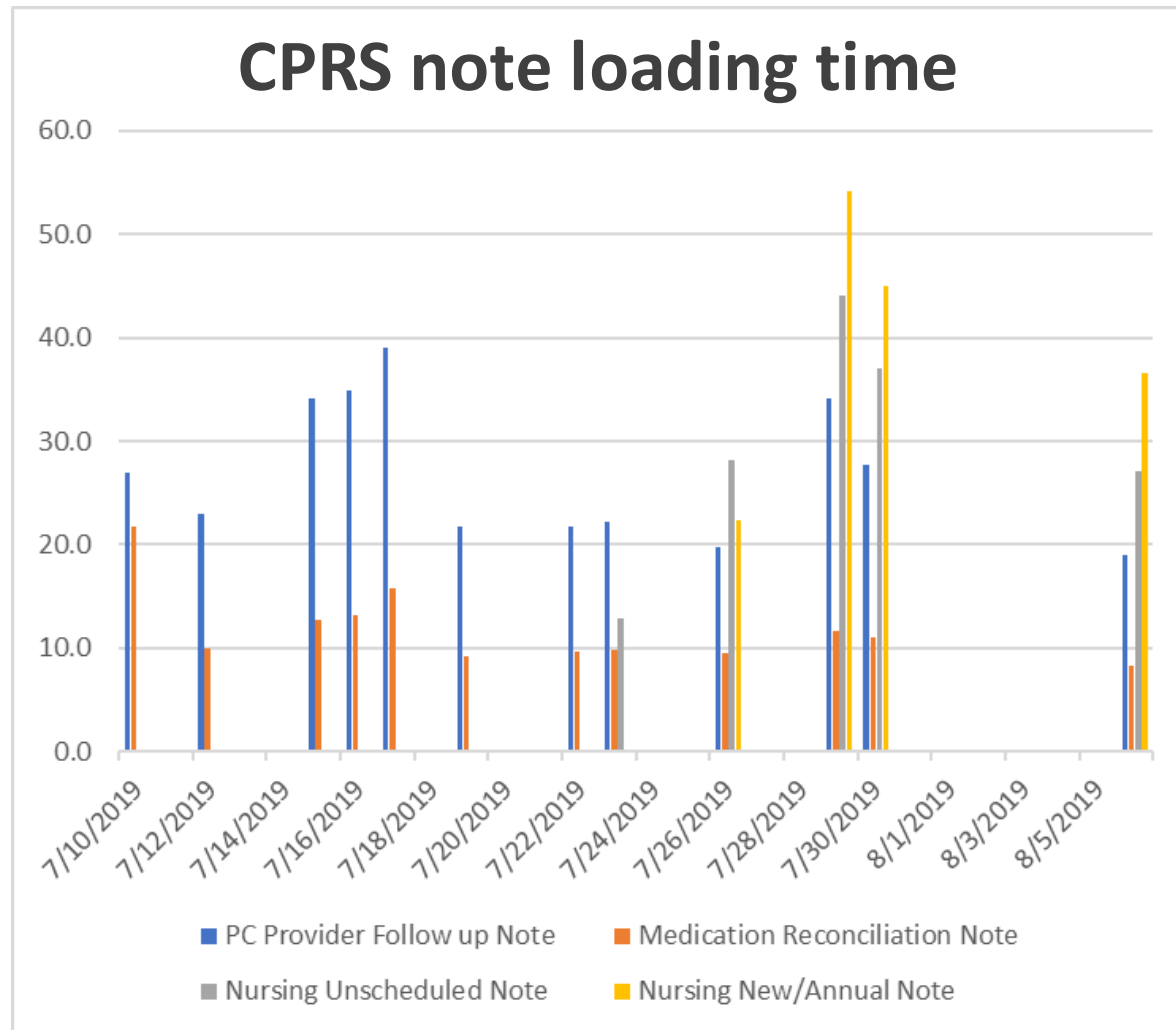
# Clinical Decision Support (CDS)

## Ten Commandments For Effective CDS<sup>307</sup> ([Bates, JAMIA 2003](#))

1. **Speed is everything** – expect sub-second latency
  2. **Anticipate needs and deliver in real time** – e.g. showing relevant labs with med orders
  3. **Fit into the user's workflow** – external tools not as good as those at POC
  4. **Little things can make a big difference** – “usability matters – a lot”, “make it easy to do the right thing”
  5. **Physicians resist stopping** – don't tell docs to not do something without offering an alternative
- ← **Rule #1: *Speed***



# CPRS: VA's main clinical decision support tool



**Average note  
loading time  
27 seconds**





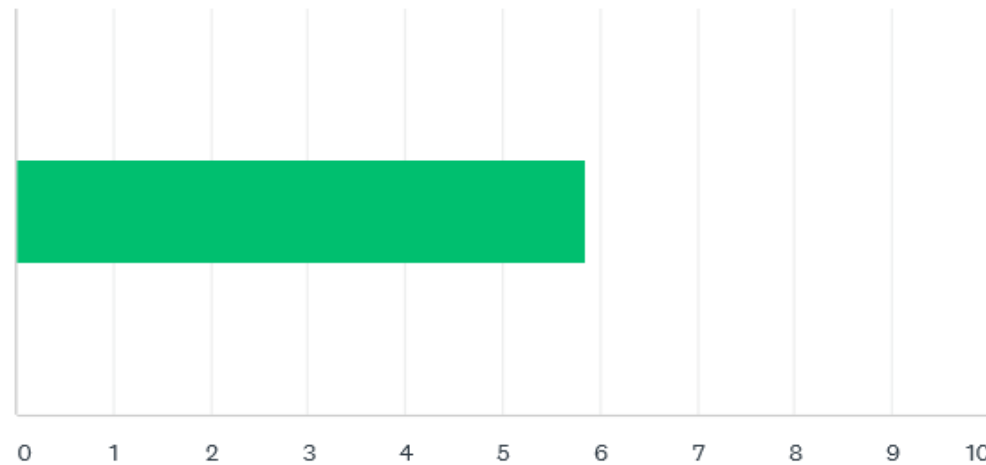
# CPRS: Survey on speed

Q1



On a scale of 1-10 (1 worst, 10 the best), how satisfied are you with the speed of CPRS in completing your work?

Answered: 100 Skipped: 0

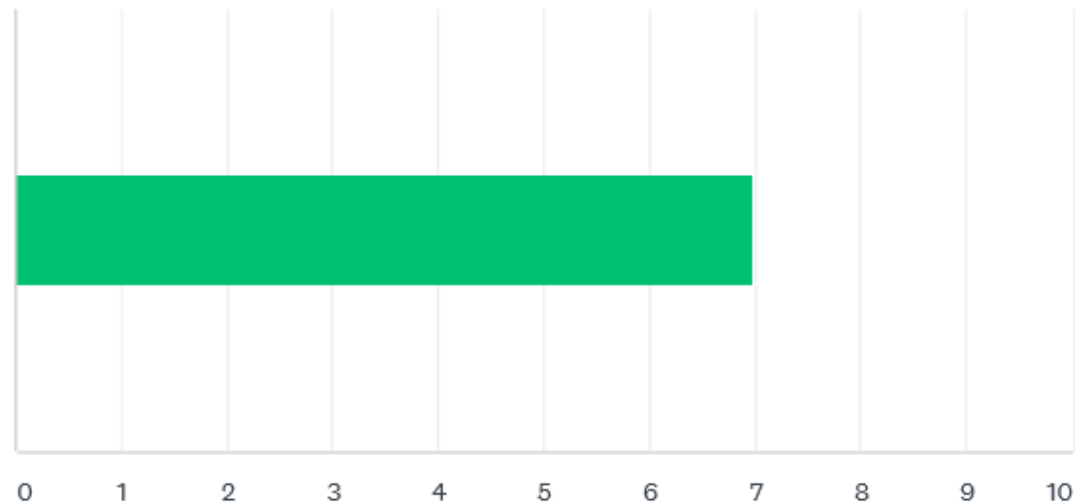




# CPRS: Survey on speed

On a scale of 1-10, (1 no impact, 10 major impact) does the speed of CPRS have a substantial impact on your work-life satisfaction?

Answered: 100 Skipped: 0



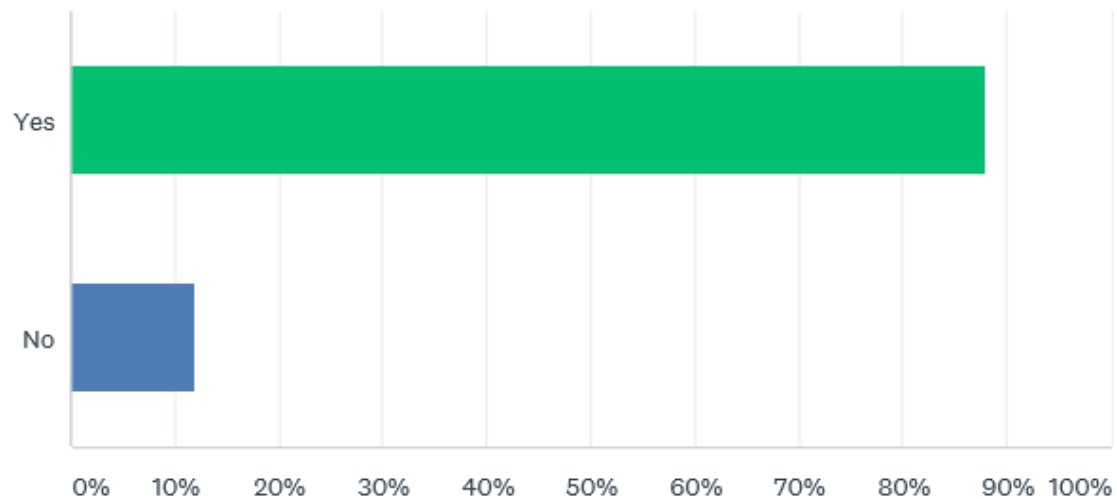




# CPRS: Survey on speed

Do you think increasing the speed of CPRS improves Veterans access to care?

Answered: 100 Skipped: 0





# CPRS: Survey on speed

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
MD	10.99%	10
NP	3.30%	3
PA	0.00%	0
RN	24.18%	22
PharmD	3.30%	3
LVN	10.99%	10
MSA	13.19%	12
Social Worker	10.99%	10
Psychologist	12.09%	11
RD	3.30%	3
Other	7.69%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>91</b>



# Cloud Streaming CPRS: 10X speed improvement

## Cloud CPRS note loading time

Date	PC Provider Follow up Note	Nursing Unsched uled Note
21-Feb	3.5	4.5
21-Feb	1.9	4.1
3-Mar	2.0	3
3-Mar	1.1	3.8
	2	3.85

Average note  
loading time is  
2 seconds

10X speed  
improvement!



# Cloud Streaming CPRS: 10X speed improvement

**Cloud Streaming CPRS improves efficiency, lowers costs, and improves veteran access to care**

## Cloud CPRS - Clinical Efficiency Improvement and Cost Avoidance

Clinician type	CPRS note lag (sec)	notes per day (per provider)	count of clinician type (FTE)	annual days at work	annual time lost to note lag (sec)	annual time lost to note lag (hours)	annual loss of work (FTE)	Salary + Benefits (per FTE)	Cost to VHA of lost work
Physician	25	13	100	240	7800000	2167	1.2	180,000	\$216,667
PharmD	30	10	20	240	1440000	400	0.2	90,000	\$20,000
Nursing	35	13	250	240	27300000	7583	4.2	70,000	\$294,907
Estimated cost of lost work due to CPRS note lag									\$531,574