



Providing continuity of Veteran Care during EHR Modernization and beyond



VISTA Data Project

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- Leverages DoD-developed EHR migration and decommissioning technology
- Leverages Federally-Certified Commercial Cloud technology
- Provides security, audit, analysis, and migration for all veteran data
- Supports rapid, reliable, and complete retirement of VISTA systems
- Provides Veteran-specific Integrated Cloud Care and Services (VICS)
- Execution 2016-2018

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VHA-DHA Health IT Architecture

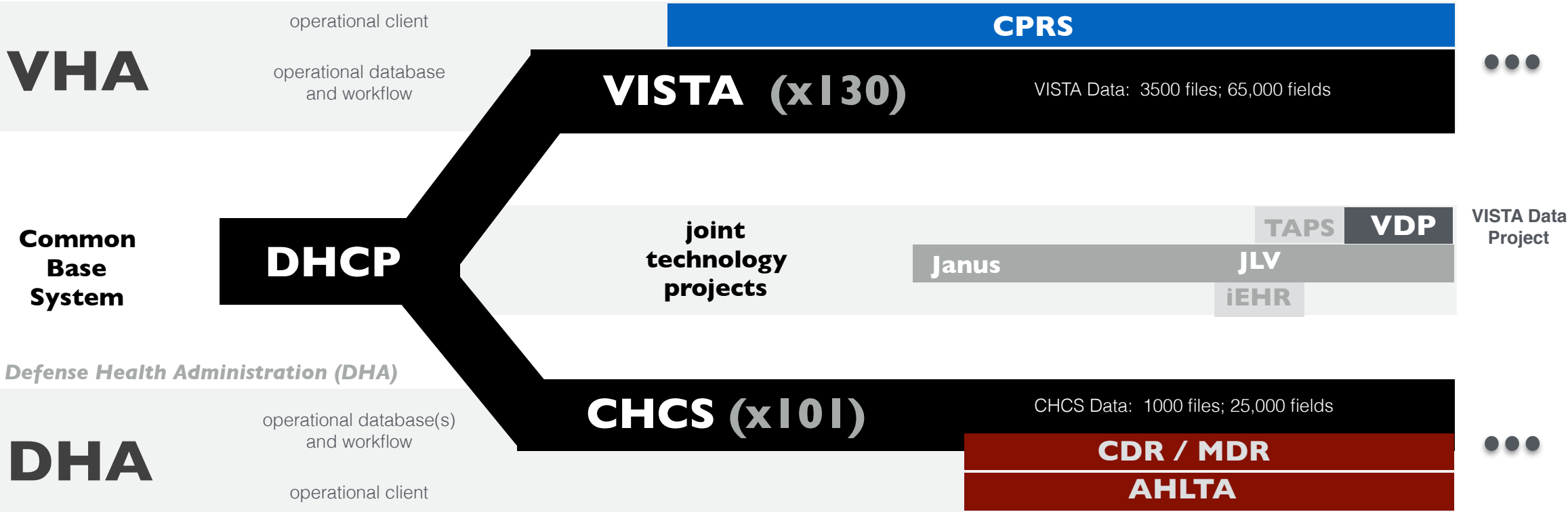
DHCP is the common base system

VHA: 151 hospitals; 820 clinics; 300 vet centers; + other (total 1700 care sites)
DHA: 57 hospitals; 350 clinics + other

VHA: 130 VISTA systems operational (since 1981)
DHA: 101 CHCS systems operational (since 1985)
Total: 231 DHCP-based systems across VHA-DHA

- DHCP-based systems
- Common technology projects
- VHA-specific interface and workflow
- DHA-specific interface and workflow

Veterans Health Administration (VHA)



While DHCP was similar in VHA and DHA originally, it has diverged over time. The most significant fork occurred in 2004 when DHA migrated a large portion of operational data and functions from CHCS to CDR and MDR databases. Therefore the variety, volume, and function of CHCS data is now approximately one-third that of VISTA.

	1980	1990	2000	2010	2017
VHA-specific		VISTA	CPRS		
Common	DHCP		JLV	iEHR	TAPS VDP
DHA-specific		CHCS	AHLTA / CDR		Genesis

Note: Time scale simplified for clarity

- 1981 - DHCP - Decentralized Hospital Care Program - VA Fileman database and applications [VHA]

1985 - CHCS - (DHCP renamed to) Composite Health Care System; modified for DHA use [Leidos (SAIC)]

1994 - VISTA - (DHCP renamed to) Veterans Information Systems Technology Architecture [VHA]

1997 - CPRS - Computerized Patient Record System - graphical interface and workflow [VHA]

2004 - AHLTA/ CDR/ MDR - Armed Forces Health Longitudinal Technology Application [Northrup Grumman]
- 2003 - Janus (renamed to JLV in 2011) [DHA-VHA]

2011 - iEHR - Integrated Electronic Health Record [SMS]

2013 - TAPS - Transition Application Plan Support [DHA-VHA]

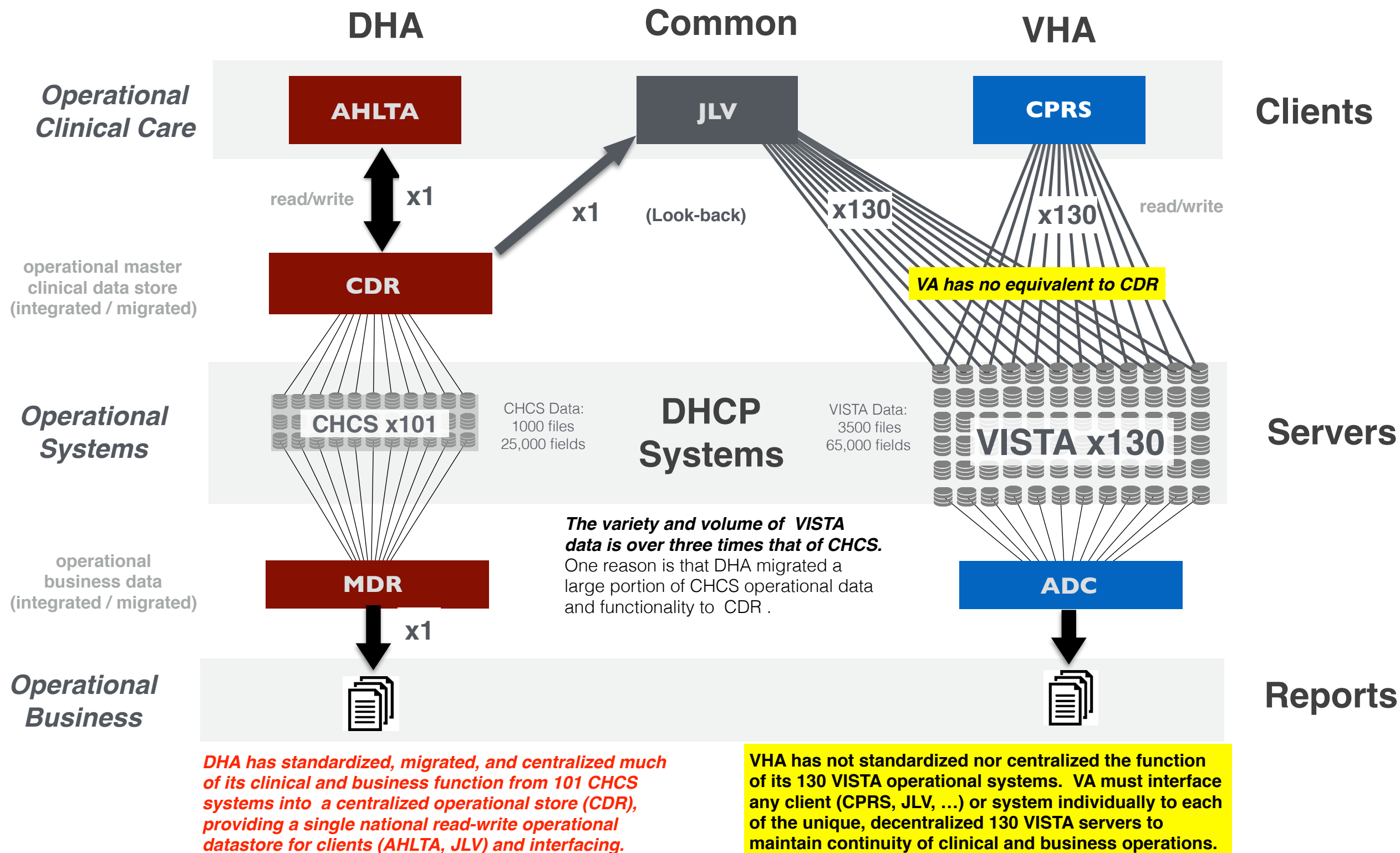
2016 - MHS Genesis (COTS EHR - Cerner)

2016 - VDP - VISTA Data Project



VHA-DHA Health IT Architecture

VHA is larger and more complex



AHLTA - User Interface
CHCS - Composite Healthcare System (All operational data)
MDR - Military Data Repository (Operational business data)
CDR - Clinical Data Repository (Operational clinical data)

CPRS - User Interface
VISTA - VA Information Systems Architecture (All operational data)
ADC - Austin Data Center (Operational business data)



VISTA is more than an EHR



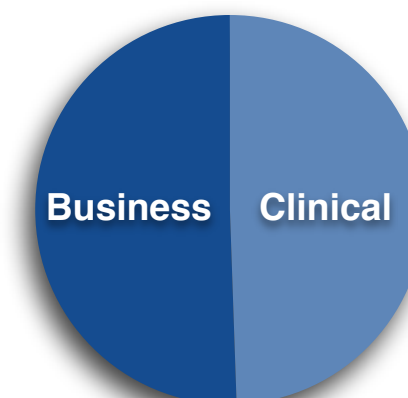
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Most of VISTA is Nonclinical and Business function

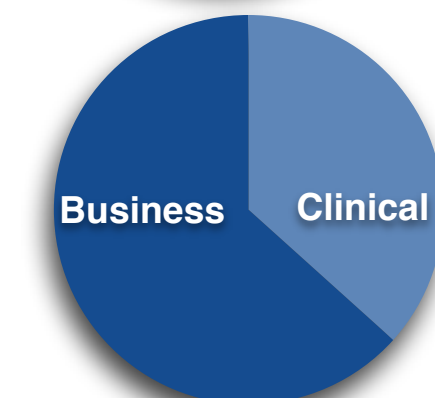
Content of largest 30 files in a VISTA system

	#	File	Count
Clinical	P1	IMAGE (2005)	5,728,923
Business	P2	AR TRANSACTION (433)	5,595,597
Clinical	P3	GMRV VITAL MEASUREMENT (120.5)	5,582,099
Clinical	P4	V CPT (9000010.18)	5,533,193
Business	P5	ENROLLMENT/ELIGIBILITY UPLOAD AUDIT	5,525,976
Clinical	P6	ORDER (100)	5,243,872
Clinical	P7	TIU DOCUMENT (8925)	4,588,982
Clinical	P8	VISIT (9000010)	4,465,018
Clinical	P9	OUTPATIENT ENCOUNTER (409.68)	4,385,585
Business	P10	BCMA MEDICATION LOG (53.79)	3,901,198
Clinical	P11	V POV (9000010.07)	3,640,303
Clinical	P12	V PROVIDER (9000010.06)	3,446,623
Business	P13	ACRP TRANSMISSION HISTORY (409.77)	3,122,925
Business	P14	TRANSMITTED OUTPATIENT ENCOUNTER	2,697,388
Business	P15	IMAGE ACCESS LOG (2006.95)	2,524,259
Business	P16	PATIENT ENROLLMENT (27.11)	2,386,762
Business	P17	IB COPAY TRANSACTIONS (354.71)	2,291,380
Business	P18	BCMA REPORT REQUEST (53.69)	2,119,037
Business	P19	INTEGRATED BILLING ACTION (350)	2,065,742
Business	P20	CLAIMS TRACKING (356)	1,989,049
Business	P21	ADT/HL7 PIVOT (391.71)	1,987,001
Clinical	P22	PRESCRIPTION (52)	1,863,696
Business	P23	ORDER CHECK INSTANCES (100.05)	1,486,470
Business	P24	UNIT DOSE EXTRACT DATA (728.904)	1,475,497
Business	P25	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (430)	1,466,346
Clinical	P26	V HEALTH FACTORS (9000010.23)	1,462,325
Business	P27	IVM FINANCIAL QUERY LOG (301.62)	1,439,880
Business	P28	IVM TRANSMISSION LOG (301.6)	1,285,905
Business	P29	IB BILL/CLAIMS DIAGNOSIS (362.3)	1,264,869
Business	P30	BCMA UNABLE TO SCAN LOG (53.77)	1,239,098

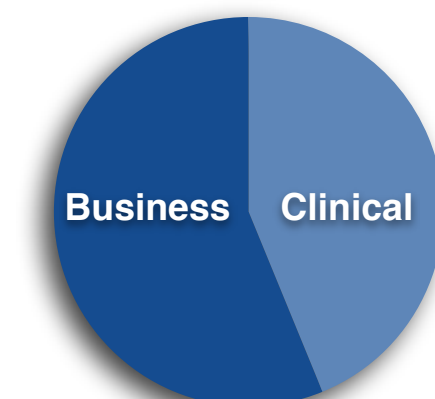
Total files	91,804,998
Clinical files	40,211,696
Business files	51,593,302



**VISTA
Packages
(total 180)**



**VISTA
Files
(largest 30)**



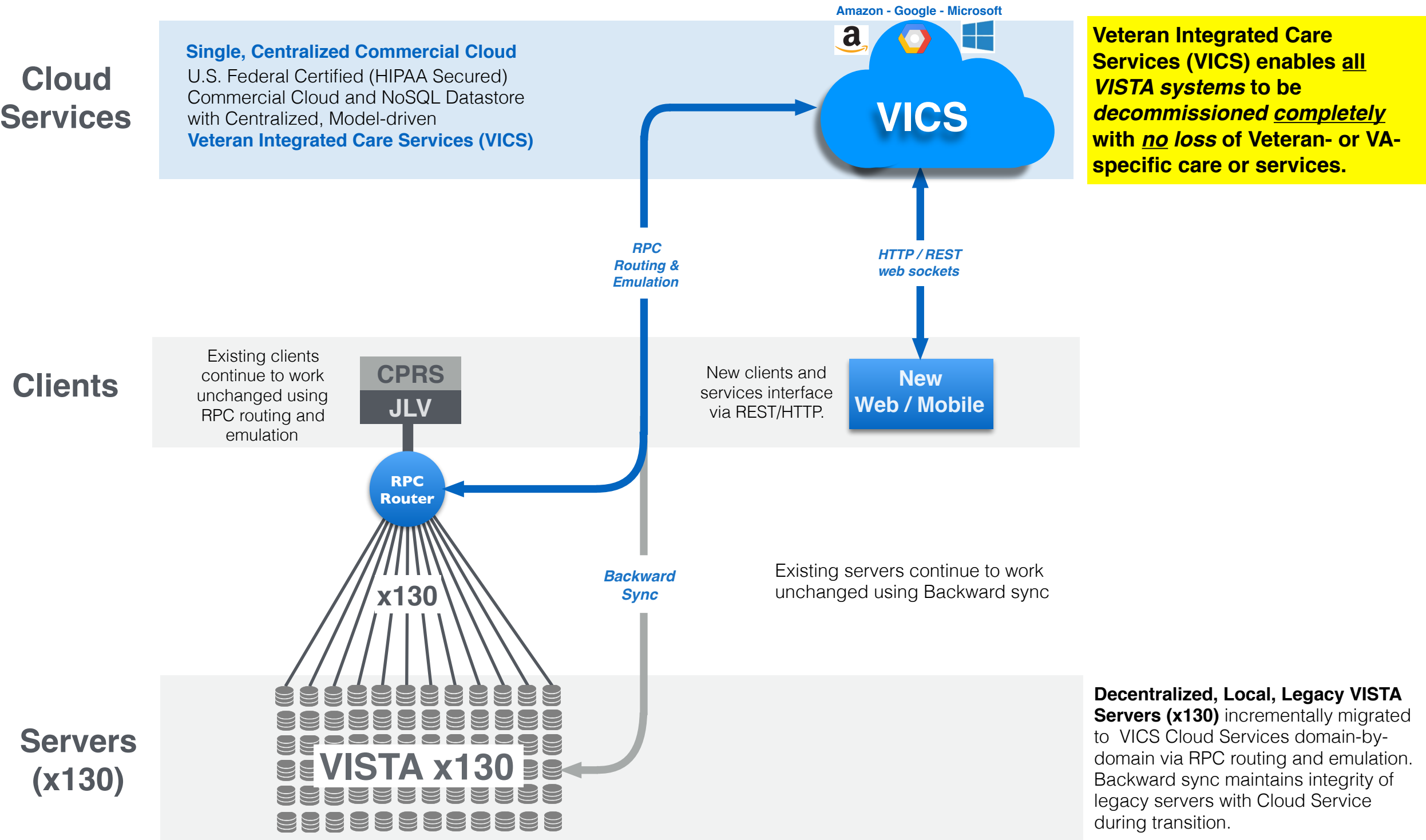
**VISTA
Data
(>90 million)**

VISTA provides the data for over 100,000 business, operational, finance, regulatory, clinical, Congressional, and Federally-mandated safety, quality, and efficiency reports each year to ensure the highest quality of VA- and Veteran-specific care and benefits.



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Migration from Servers to Services





Veteran Integrated Care Services (VICS)

Demonstration: Veterans Workload Service

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Workload Browser

VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Workload Service

Welcome to the Veterans Workload Service

Email

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Login



Veterans Workload Service and Website

Work Details Outpatient / PRIMARY

ID: 3490080
Primary DSS: PSYCHIATRY - INDIVIDUAL
Secondary DSS: COMP & PENS (C&P) EXAMS
Entered Date: 11-21-2008 09:39 am
CPTs: DISABILITY EXAMINATION (99456)
Primary Provider: JENSEN, CLYDE M
Location: ZZIOW C&P JENSEN
Entered By: GUZMAN, HARRIETT J
Sent to NPCD?: YES

PSYCHIATRY - INDIVIDUAL

Work Detail on Nov 21, 2008: C&P Disability Exam

18	19	20	21 PSYCHIATRY - INDIVIDUAL	22
25 GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE AUDIOLOGY PRIMARY CARE_MEDICINE OPTOMETRY	26 AUDIOLOGY MH INTGRD CARE IND	27	28 X-RAY	29

Month View: Work Details color coded by work type.

Overview Timeline: All Workload for a specific patient by year and month

Work Details Timeline

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2008											9	8
2009	3	12	11	15	5	3	6	4	3	2		1
2010	3	2	3	1	1	2	4	2	5			2
2011	2	3										

- Outpatient Work Details (9)**
- PSYCHIATRY - INDIVIDUAL (1)
 - GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE (1)
 - AUDIOLOGY (2)
 - PRIMARY CARE_MEDICINE (1)
 - OPTOMETRY (1)
 - X-RAY (2)
 - MH INTGRD CARE IND (1)
- Click for Details

Work Details in month of Nov 2008: Nine (9) Outpatient Encounters

Work Details between Nov 2008 and Feb 2011 (total: 112 services)

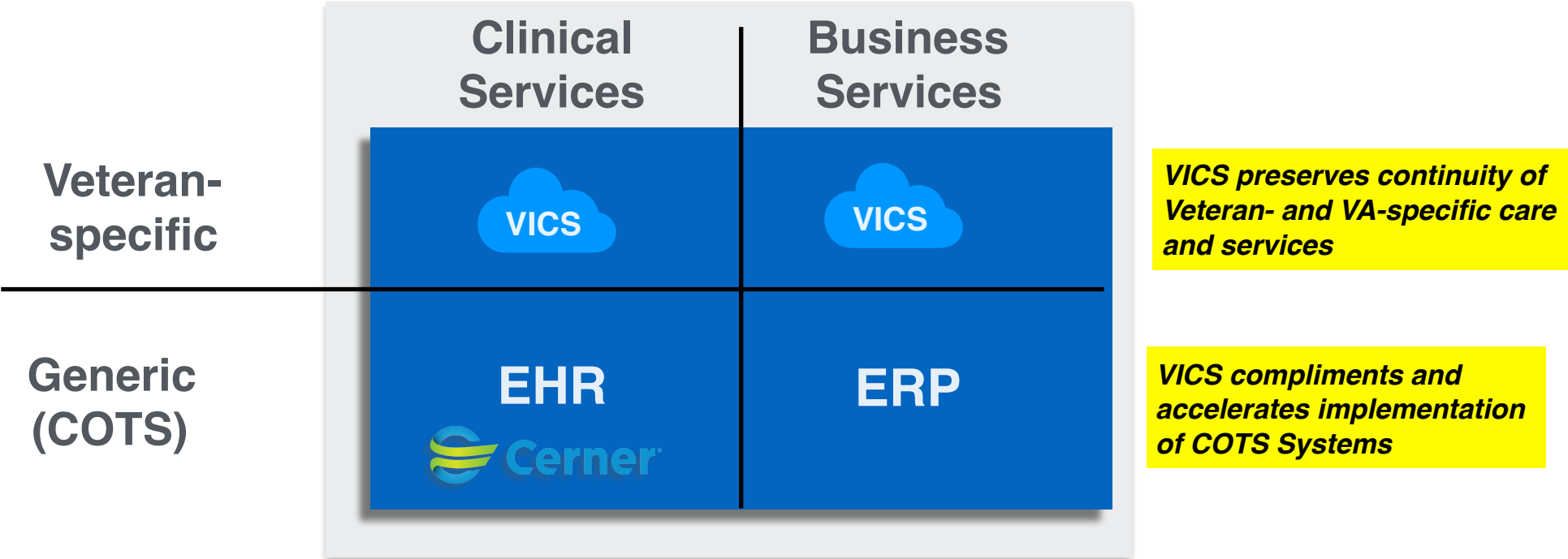


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VICS Compliments and Accelerates EHRM Success

**VICS
Compliments
EHRM**

Veteran Integrated Care Services (VICS) enables migration from 130 VISTA servers to a commercial clinical and business systems (COTS EHR / ERP) while maintaining continuity of veteran-specific care and services.



**VICS
Accelerates
EHRM**

The VICS Approach allows the decommissioning all 130 VISTA systems *independent of (and more rapidly than) COTS systems implementation - saving resources on VISTA maintenance, and focusing on strategic IT modernization.*



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Conclusion



100% VISTA retired. Safely, rapidly and reliably retire *all* VISTA systems 100% - no residual technology to maintain.



100% Commercial Cloud solution - no GOTS, no legacy technology, nothing to maintain.



Continuity of VA-specifics and Veteran-specific care through Veteran Integrated (cloud) Care Services (VICS)

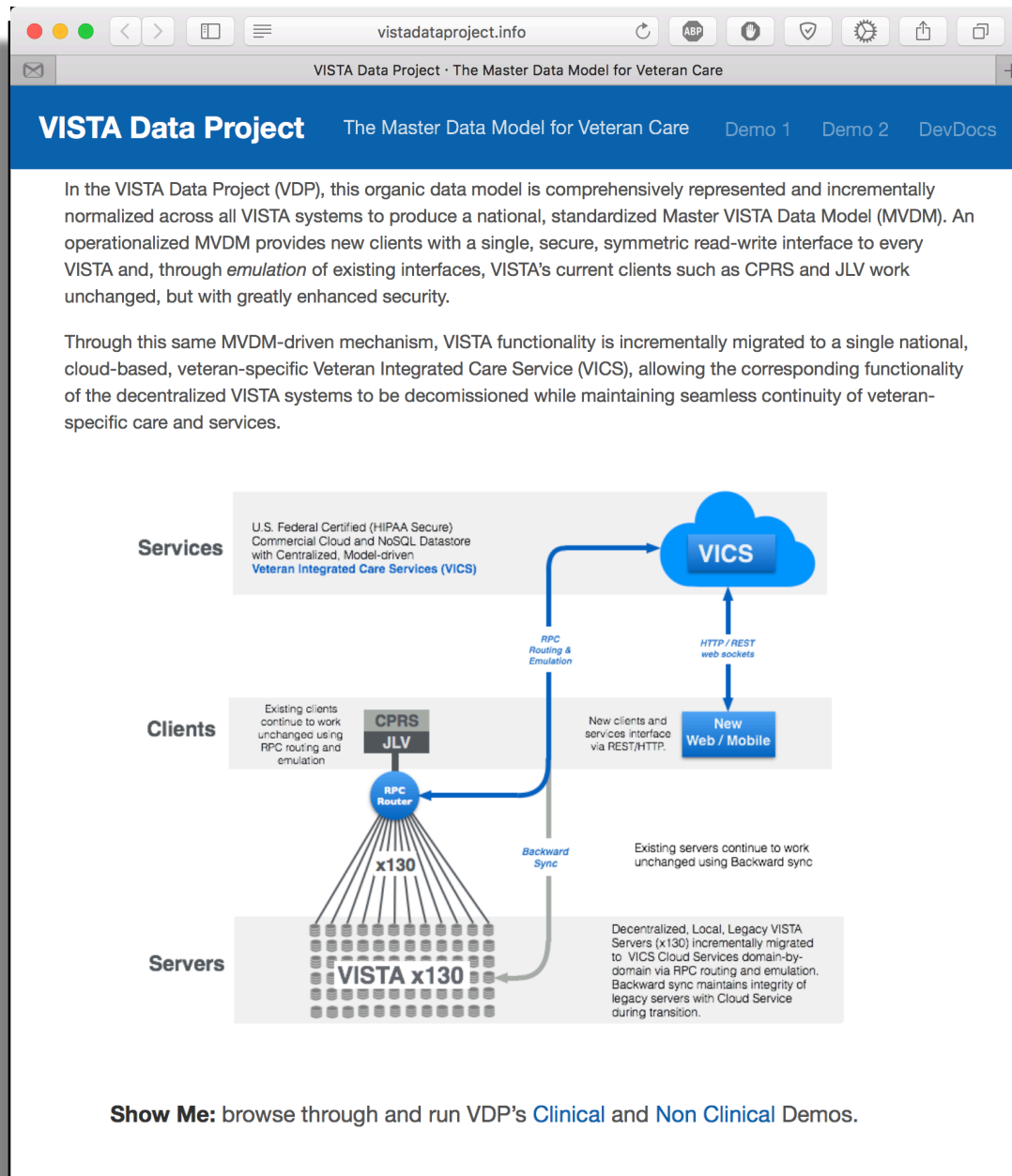


Avoids cost of future VISTA maintenance (\$19B over next 10 years) for use in strategic IT modernization.



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VISTA Data Project The Master Data Model for Veteran Care Demo 1 Demo 2 DevDocs

In the VISTA Data Project (VDP), this organic data model is comprehensively represented and incrementally normalized across all VISTA systems to produce a national, standardized Master VISTA Data Model (MVDM). An operationalized MVDM provides new clients with a single, secure, symmetric read-write interface to every VISTA and, through *emulation* of existing interfaces, VISTA's current clients such as CPRS and JLV work unchanged, but with greatly enhanced security.

Through this same MVDM-driven mechanism, VISTA functionality is incrementally migrated to a single national, cloud-based, veteran-specific Veteran Integrated Care Service (VICS), allowing the corresponding functionality of the decentralized VISTA systems to be decommissioned while maintaining seamless continuity of veteran-specific care and services.

Services U.S. Federal Certified (HIPAA Secure) Commercial Cloud and NoSQL Datastore with Centralized, Model-driven Veteran Integrated Care Services (VICS)

Clients Existing clients continue to work unchanged using RPC routing and emulation. CPRS JLV New clients and services interface via REST/HTTP. New Web / Mobile

Servers Decentralized, Local, Legacy VISTA Servers (x130) incrementally migrated to VICS Cloud Services domain-by-domain via RPC routing and emulation. Backward sync maintains integrity of legacy servers with Cloud Service during transition. Existing servers continue to work unchanged using Backward sync.

Show Me: browse through and run VDP's [Clinical](#) and [Non Clinical](#) Demos.

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Demo

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VHA-DHA Health IT Architecture

Common Systems / Common Tooling

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Common Systems

DHCP
(x231) Fileman / Data-dictionary driven MUMPS information system

Common Tooling

DHA (CHCS x101)	TAPS	v1: POC: Fileman Query Language (FMQL) v2: IOC:
VHA (VISTA x130)	VDP	v1: POC: RPC Emulation; Master VISTA Data Model v2: IOC: RPC Routing; Cloud-based VICS