

On behalf of Mr. Joe Paiva, Executive Director, VLER, the following information is provided as input to the weekly Cabinet Report:

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Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record

On September 4-10, 2012, User Acceptance Testing (UAT) will be performed for the electronic Case File Transfer (eCFT) module within the Medical Electronic Data (for) Care History And Readiness Tracking (MEDCHART) solution. This will allow implementation of eCFT for Service members enrolled in the Integrated Disability Evaluation Separation (IDES) program. In April 2012, the Secretaries of Defense and Veterans Affairs directed their Departments to implement a paperless and searchable IDES eCFT plan that meets the functionality requirements of both the Services and VA. eCFT is an electronic method of sharing Service members' records as they proceed through the IDES process. By utilizing a shared, paperless and searchable system, the Services and VA will increase the accountability, efficiency, and transparency of the IDES process and improve the quality of service provided to wounded, ill and injured Service members.