

Update for CIO

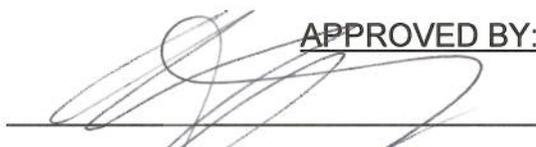
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Weekly update on Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record (VLER)

On February 13, 2013, Department of Defense (DoD) and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Overarching Integrated Project Team (OIPT) agreed to a joint way forward for the pilot of electronic Case File Transfer (eCFT). The following were considered in coming to this decision:

- DoD provided a time and cost estimate for automated interface between eCFT and VLER Gateway. This interface will consist of two web services that send and receive documents to and from eCFT and VLER; one web service will send entire case files to the VLER Gateway, while the other will receive the VA Rating that is generated in Veterans Benefits Management System (VBMS) via the VLER Gateway.
- Funding and Contract Resolution for eCFT will be exercised for the first option year from March 31, 2013 to March 31, 2014. The total cost is estimated at \$1.6M, (split evenly between DoD and VA).
- The option year only applies to the pilot. If a decision is made for full implementation, a new contract will be initiated. The pilot will include numerous system and process enhancements aimed at satisfying concerns outlined by both VA and DoD.
- Veterans Business Administration (VBA) and Veterans Health Administration (VHA) agreed that Executive Director (ED) VLER would be in charge of writing the Business Requirements Document (BRD) for this work, but that both VBA and VHA would assign dedicated people to support BRD development for 75 days. The BRD will include lessons learned from the pilot.

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