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VA improving Veterans' health outcomes with first-rated digital solutions

Wins multiple awards for innovation

WASHINGTON — The Department of Veterans Affairs was recognized June 22-23, for creating and managing health technology programs and platforms that increase healthy results for Veterans.

For the fourth consecutive year, the <u>FedHealthIT 2021 Innovation Awards</u> honored VA for developing digital and IT-related solutions that impact how Veterans live their daily lives, while also improving their customer service experience.

Top-ranking programs were created by VA teams who consulted with Veterans while building the platforms that are now in use across VA, notably at the <u>Veterans Health Administration</u>, <u>Veterans Benefits Administration</u> and <u>Board of Veterans' Appeals</u>.

"The department's continued modernization has firmly secured VA at the forefront of federal technology innovation," said Acting Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology, and Chief Information Officer Dominic Cussatt. "VA's solutions are rivaling the private-sector in functionally and design while giving Veterans greater access to the world-class benefits and services they have earned and expect."

Award winners were recognized at the two-day virtual event that featured keynote speakers and panels; fireside chats; and rapid-fire discussions that focus on priorities, challenges and opportunities for growth across VA, Military Health, Health and Human Services and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

For more information on the VA's winning transformative health-IT projects and how they are helping Veterans, visit the <u>FedHealthIT Innovation Awards</u>.

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