



North Chicago VAMC and Naval Health Clinic Great Lakes 2010 Integration

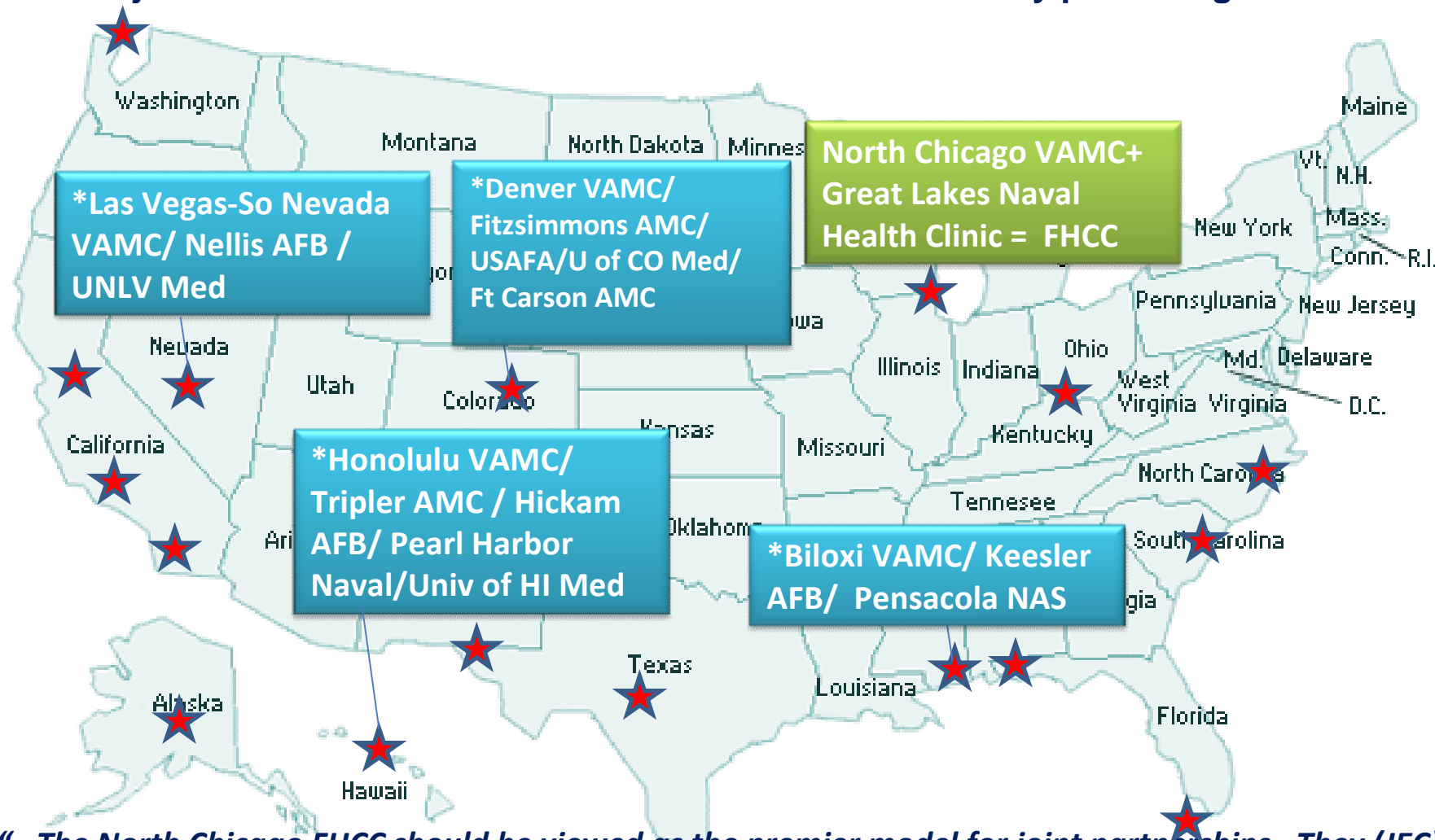
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VA-DoD “Joint Ventures”

There are numerous medical sharing and joint venture sites ★ where VA and DoD are already partnering...



“...The North Chicago FHCC should be viewed as the premier model for joint partnerships. They (JEC) have selected 4 locations for integration advancement...”

CAPTAIN JAMES A. LOVELL FEDERAL HEALTH CARE CENTER 2010



Construction of the new ambulatory clinic for the Captain James A. Lovell



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Factors Driving Integration

- Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)
 - Navy consolidated recruit training into one location
- Presidential Priority
 - Executive Order 13214 President's Task Force mandated an increase in VA/DoD collaborative efforts.
- Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services (CARES) study 2001/SRA study 2001
- Center for Naval Analysis recommendations 2002
- Direction and leadership from the Health Executive Council and Joint Executive Council
- Congressional interest - ongoing





Sharing Relationship

October 2003

- Inpatient Mental Health transferred
- Reimbursement methodology:
 - As TRICARE Network Provider Status
- Local VA/DoD Working group chartered
- Multi-disciplinary

December 2004

- DoD Blood Donor Processing Center transferred
- Reimbursement methodology:
 - Navy leases VA laboratory space
 - VA purchases blood products
- Avoids \$3M construction cost to Taxpayer

Network Relationship

January 2005

\$13M NCVAMC Project

- Construction of 4 new Operating Rooms
- Renovated 4 existing Operating Rooms
- Expansion of existing Emergency Department

June 2006

- Transfer of inpatient med/surg/pediatric
 - Professional services by Navy Physicians for Surgery and Pediatrics
- Transfer of operating room
- Transfer of ICU
- Transfer of ER service
- Reimbursement methodology:
 - Facility charges at TRICARE Network negotiated rate.

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FY2007

Navy construction project began 2 JUL 2007:

- Surface parking (staff) completed December 2007

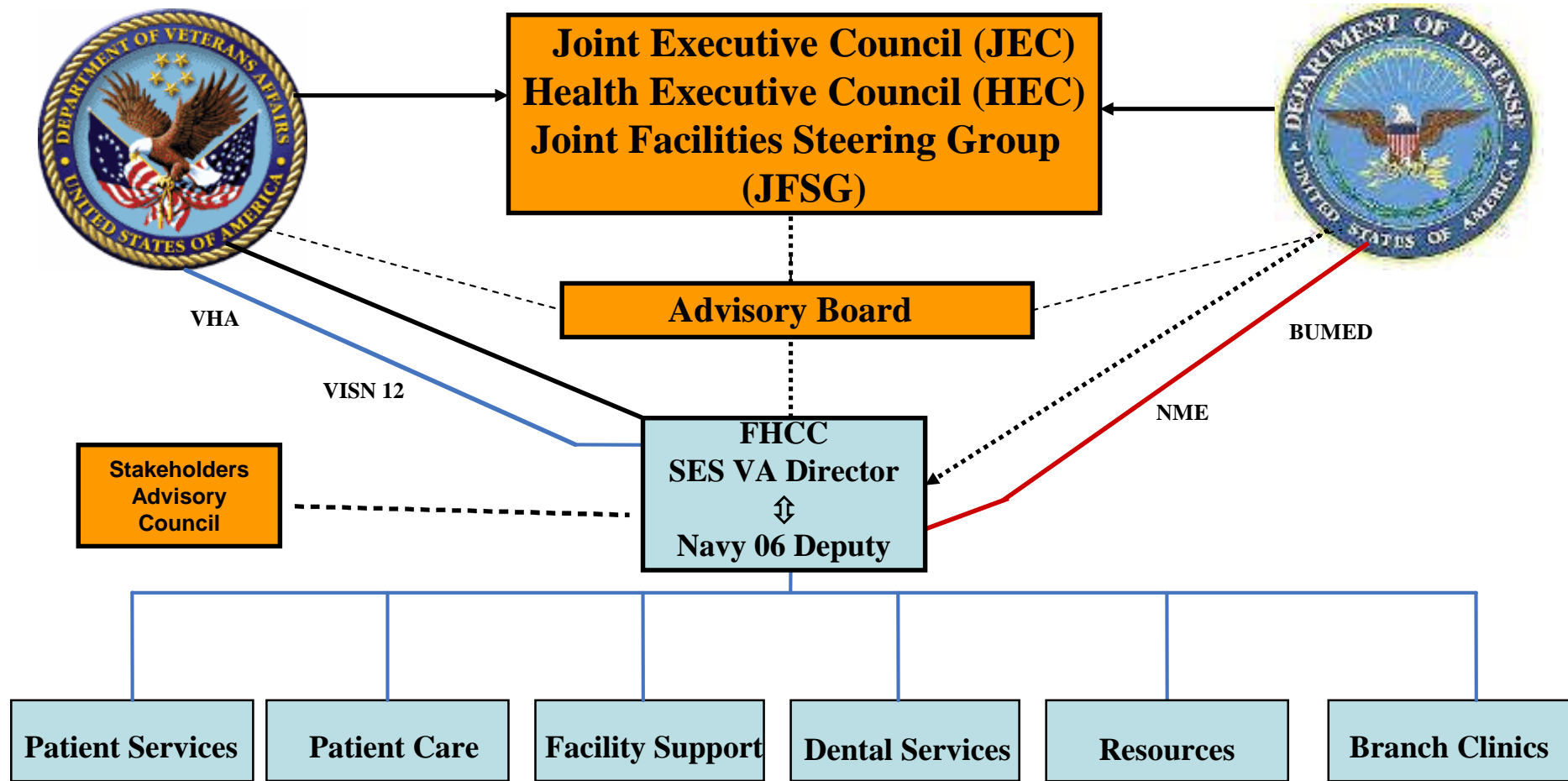
FY2008

- Begin parking structure supporting facilities (electricity, water, sewer, etc.)
- Renovate 45,000 square foot existing NCVAMC spaces
- Begin 201,000 square foot ambulatory care center

Fall 2010

- Construction project completed
- FHCC opens

FHCC Governance

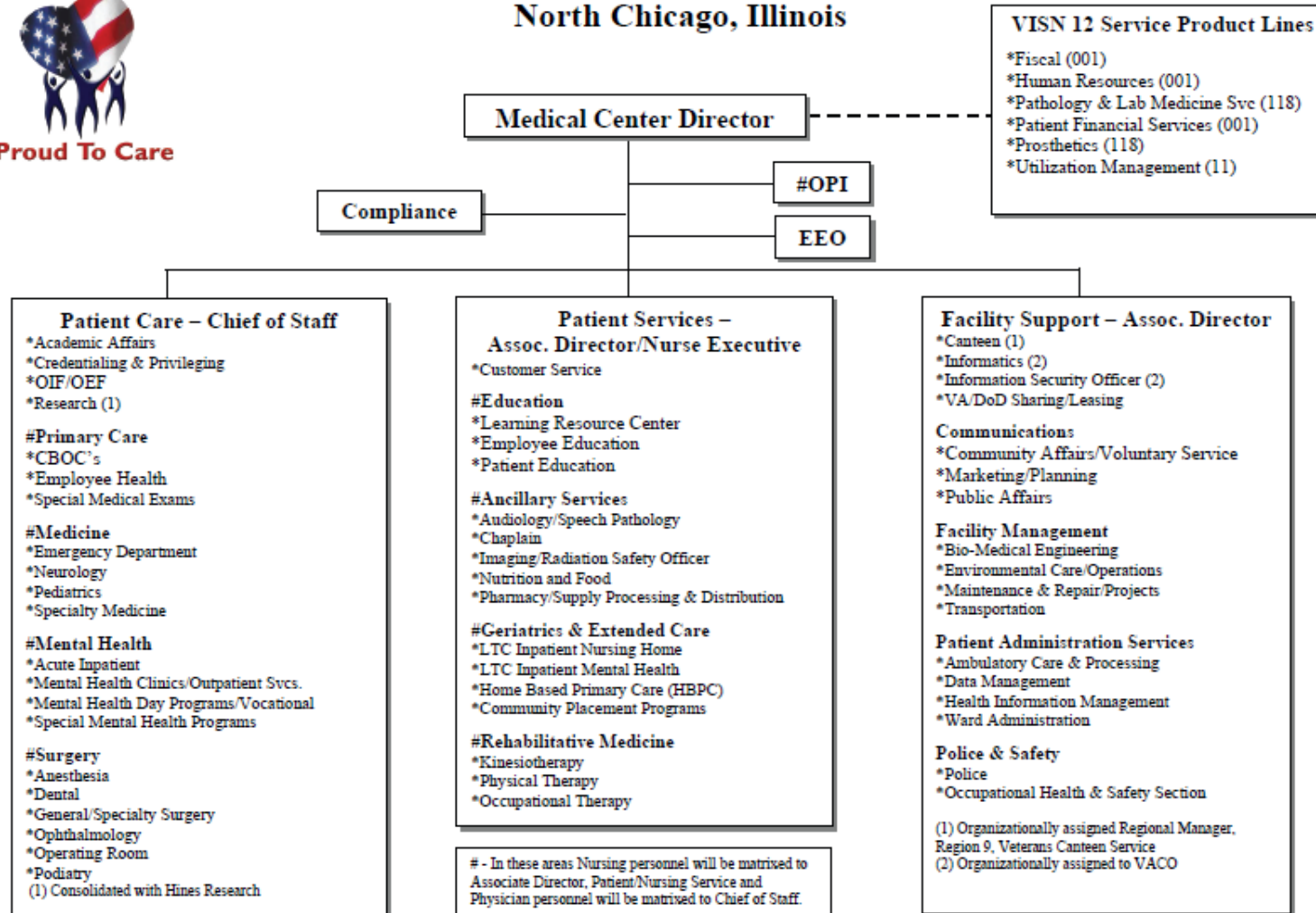


- = Management authority through Resource Sharing Agreement (RSA)
- (blue) = Operational Line of Authority
- - -** = Communication and RSA Compliance
- (red) = Military Reporting Relationship & Accountability

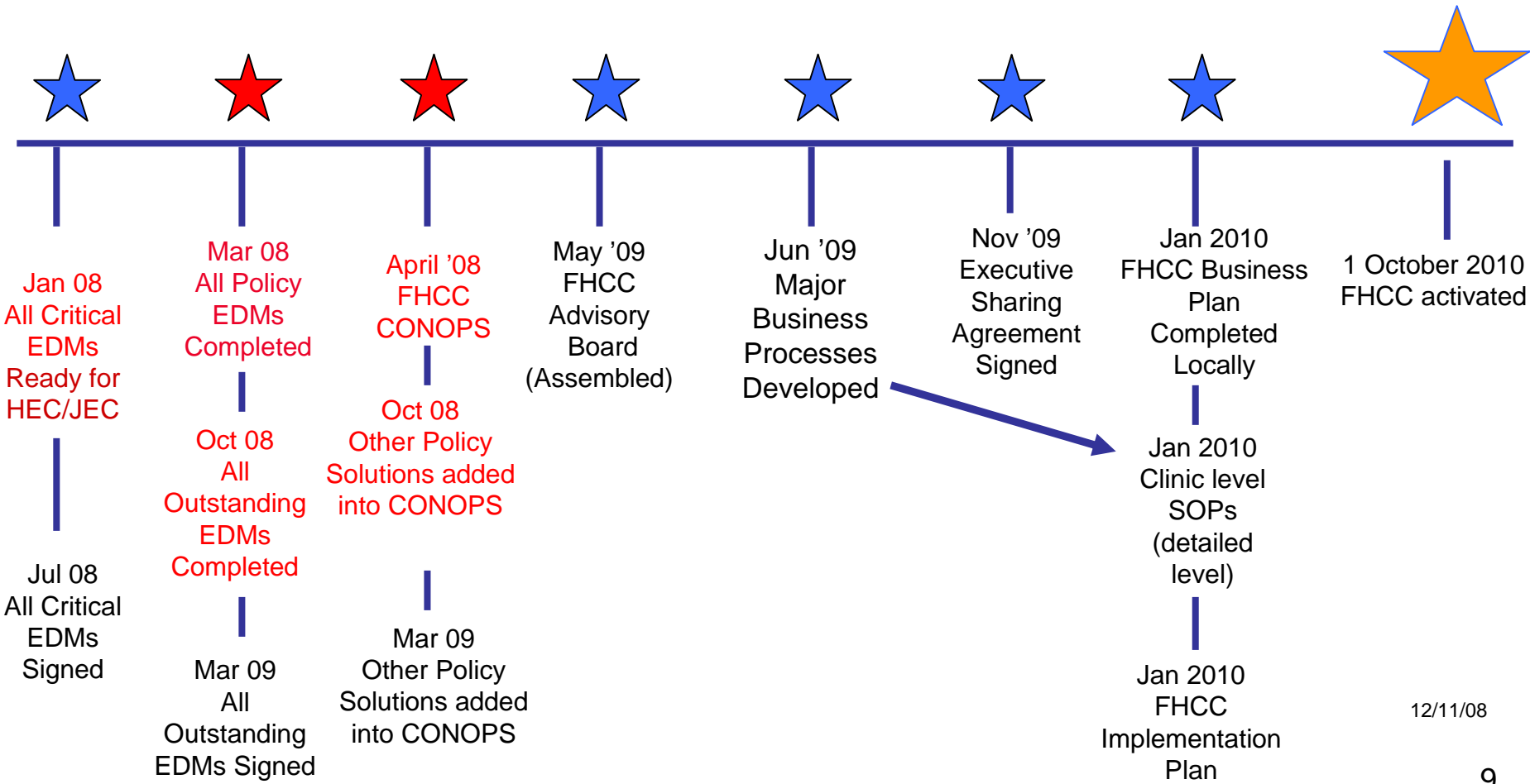
NCVAMC Organizational Chart



Veterans Affairs Medical Center North Chicago, Illinois



FHCC Great Lakes/North Chicago Milestones Timeline



Joint Incentive Fund Projects

- JIF projects
 - Women's Health - \$852K
 - Mammography - \$470K
 - MRI - \$3,426K
 - Oncology - \$685K
 - Dedicated fiber optic connectivity - \$248K
 - Hospitalist - \$403K
 - Digital Radiography (PACS) – \$638K
 - Project Management Support - \$1,770K
 - *Enterprise IM/IT Requirements - \$11.3M



Captain James A. Lovell

Federal Health Care Center

- Commissioning June 2010
- Projected catchment: 135,000 beneficiaries (veterans, active duty, dependents, and recruits in northeastern Illinois and southeastern Wisconsin).
 - 400 hospital beds (150 Acute Care)
 - 900,000 projected annual outpatient medical
 - 187,000 dental visits.
 - Approximately 2800 FTEE
 - Currently 1300 NCVAMC employees
 - Currently 400 civilian and 1100 uniformed employees at NHCGL
 - Staffing model under review
 - FTE savings will occur with integration
 - FY 07 budget for the NHCGL and NCVAMC is \$350,000,000 which includes military personnel.

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Challenges/Change for Audiology

- Pediatrics
- Provision of Hearing Aid Services
 - No reduction or expansion of services
- Test Protocols
- Audiologist/ENT Changes
 - Additional audiologists
 - ENTs currently contractors. Will have full-time ENTs.

Summary

- Progress accomplished to date can be attributed to extensive cooperation at all levels between VA and DoD.
- We have been given this opportunity to influence the future of federal health care.
 - The goal is to establish processes which can be exported.

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North Chicago VA Medical Center

Naval Health Clinic Great Lakes

Resources



- Naval Health Clinic, Great Lakes. VA/DoD Partnership Information
<http://greatlakes.med.navy.mil/Default.htm>
<http://greatlakes.med.navy.mil/VA%20DOD/VA%20DoD.html>
- DoD VA Program Coordination Office (703-681-4258)
www.tricare.mil/DVPCO/default.cfm

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