Who Are VA Senior Executives?

As well as serving in NCA, VBA and VHA, VA Senior Executives serve in the:

- Board of Veterans Appeals
- Office of General Counsel
- Office of Inspector General
- Office of Security & Law Enforcement
- Office of Emergency Management
- Office of Acquisition, Logistics & Construction
- Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication
- Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization

This list highlights the breadth of what Senior Executives do throughout the VA – much of which is critical to ensuring strong services for our veterans, yet does not have a direct line of sight to issues being raised such as patient access and treatment.

Senior Executives government-wide are highly-trained and accomplished employees who went through a rigorous hiring and selection process before entering the career executive corps. They are general managers as well as often being technical experts in their field.

Following is a very short list of some of the accomplishments of Senior Executives at VA:

- Development and growth of the afterhours Tele-Nurse Triage Program which provides clinical telephone care services to 7 networks of hospitals across the country in multiple time zones responded to 650,000 calls in 2011, servicing 1.4 million veterans.

- Implementation of a new state-of-the-art, electronic bedside data collection system in all operating rooms and intensive care units which allows physicians and nurses to treat patients in distress more quickly.

- Establishment of the nation’s first VA and DoD federal health care center, with over 400 beds and over 1,000 projected annual outpatient medical and dental visits, providing a seamless transition of care from being a DoD patient to being a VA patient.

- Shortening the time lapse between initial identification of a patient who may have suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury and completion of a comprehensive evaluation from more than two months to less than two weeks.

- Development of the most advanced telemedicine delivery system in the country, including the first tele-robotics pathology system in the world, enabling the hospital to utilize the services of pathologists and radiologists over 200 miles away.