## ACHA releases landmark "VA Task Force 2023 Report"

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CHICAGO, IL (April 11, 2023) – The American College of Healthcare Architects (ACHA) has partnered with the Veterans Administration Construction and Facilities Management (CFM) Department to improve healthcare delivery to veterans via a yearlong Task Force, composed of six ACHA certificants and VA representatives. The ACHA Task Force recommendations included new healthcare paradigms to improve Veteran access to care and create an equitable system of care. The Task Force proposed a tiered, four-dimensional hub + spoke model that adapts to the veteran's needs, utilizing high tech/high touch technology to deliver personalized health care services nationwide. The resulting Rapid Deployment Health Utility Base (RD-HUB) is a new strategy for bringing primary care to Veterans in rural and urban areas. The program centers around virtual and mobile technology, providing additional healthcare options for veterans and reducing the real estate footprint of secondary VA facilities.

"The report is excellent! ... meaningful and timely and provides good food for thought and perfect examples of hot topics being discussed by VA senior leaders at the highest level"

*Dr. Michael D. Brennan, Ph.D., AIA, SES*Executive Director, Construction and Facilities Management

The report can be accessed by visiting the ACHA website: <a href="https://healtharchitects.org/va-task-force-2023-report/">https://healtharchitects.org/va-task-force-2023-report/</a>

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