

OEHRM Leadership Biographies

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John Short – Chief Technology and Integration Officer



John Short is the chief technology and integration officer for the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Office of Electronic Health Record Modernization (OEHRM). Through his instrumental leadership, OEHRM has successfully migrated more than 111 billion VistA health records of 23.9 million Veterans to VA's new electronic health record (EHR) solution, as of September 2020. This migration of information enables advanced data analytics that will drive stronger connections between military service and health outcomes.

Short's career in VA began in 2010 with various roles in cyber security, architecture, EHR interoperability, and Joint DOD/VA management and implementation. Before he joined OEHRM, Short managed all aspects of the VistA Evolution (VE) Program strategy, budget planning, development prioritization, and briefings to U.S. Congress. Short also served as acting deputy director for the Department of Defense (DOD) and VA Interagency

Program Office (IPO). In this role, alongside the director of the IPO, Short collaborated with the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology and Standards Development Organizations. His work on the VE program and at the IPO fostered the collaborative work required for the future OEHRM vision.

Prior to joining VA, Short ran his own consulting business. He also worked at Progress Telecom, Florida Power, Sprint, BellSouth, AT&T and Lakeland Regional Medical Center.

Short served in the U.S. Army as a signal corps officer in the 35th Airborne Signal Brigade and as an infantry officer in the 82nd Airborne Division. He ran the Hurricane Andrew Relief Effort network hub for all communications.