



RESOURCE AND PATIENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

# **Bar Code Medication Administration Configuration and Test**

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## 1.0 General Information

### 1.1 Background

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently published a final rule that specifies the Stage 2 criteria that eligible professionals (EP), eligible hospitals, and critical access hospitals (CAH) must meet in order to continue to participate in the Medicare and Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Programs. Through the Stage 2 requirements of the Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs, CMS seeks to expand the meaningful use of certified EHR technology. Certified EHR technology used in a meaningful way is one piece of a broader health information technology infrastructure needed to reform the health care system and improve health care quality, efficiency, and patient safety.

This final rule specifies the Stage 2 criteria that EPs, eligible hospitals, and CAHs must meet in order to qualify for Medicare and/or Medicaid EHR incentive payments. In addition, it specifies payment adjustments under Medicare for covered professional services and hospital services provided by EPs, eligible hospitals, and CAHs failing to demonstrate meaningful use of certified EHR technology (CEHRT) and other program participation requirements. This final rule revises certain Stage 1 criteria, as finalized in the July 28, 2010 final rule, as well as criteria that apply regardless of Stage.

New Core and Menu Set Objectives and Measures for Stage 2:

**Automatically track medication orders using an electronic medication administration record (eMAR)**

(16)(i) Objective. Automatically track medications from order to administration using assistive technologies in conjunction with an electronic medication administration record (eMAR).

(ii) Measure. Subject to paragraph (c) of this section, more than 10 percent of medication orders created by authorized providers of the eligible hospital's or CAH's inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting period for which all doses are tracked using eMAR. (iii) Exclusion in accordance with paragraph (i)(2) of this section. Any eligible hospital or CAH with an average daily inpatient census of fewer than 10 patients.

## 1.2 Bar Code Medication Administration Assistive Technology

Bar Code Medication Administration (BCMA) assistive technology is a software application which is used by the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) facilities to document medication administration activities and reduce medication errors. Ensuring the software is usable is paramount to successful adoption by the end-users. The Bar Code Resource Office (BCRO), using a Cognitive Engineer/Human Factors expert, has developed a structured process for performing usability assessments of new features under development. The following information is provided as a guide to assist the BCMA Software Development team in applying a structured process to future usability assessments.

### **Stage 2 Eligible Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Meaningful Use Core Measure 16 of 16**

Automatically track medications from order to administration using assistive technologies in conjunction with an electronic medication administration record (eMAR).

More than 10 percent of medication orders created by authorized providers of the eligible hospital's or CAH's inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting period for which all doses are tracked using eMAR.

#### **Exclusion**

Any eligible hospital or CAH with an average daily inpatient census of fewer than 10 patients.

## 1.3 Definition of Terms

**electronic Medication Administration Record (eMAR):** Technology that automatically documents the administration of medication into certified EHR technology using electronic tracking sensors (for example, radio frequency identification) or electronically readable tagging such as bar coding).

**Average daily inpatient census:** The total number of patients admitted during the previous calendar year divided by 365 (or 366 if the previous calendar year is a leap year).

## 1.4 Attestation Requirements

**DENOMINATOR:** Number of medication orders created by authorized providers in the eligible hospital's or CAH's inpatient or emergency department (POS 21 or 23) during the EHR reporting period.

**NUMERATOR:** The number of orders in the denominator for which all doses are tracked using eMAR.

**THRESHOLD:** The resulting percentage must be more than 10 percent in order for an eligible hospital or CAH to meet this measure.

**EXCLUSION:** Any eligible hospital or CAH with an average daily inpatient census of fewer than 10 patients.

## 1.5 Certification and Standards

The following is the corresponding certification and standards criteria for electronic health record technology that supports achieving the meaningful use of this objective.

§ 170.314(16) Inpatient setting only – electronic medication administration record

(i) In combination with an assistive technology that provides automated information on the “rights” specified in paragraphs (a)(16)(i)(A) through (E) of this section, enable a user to electronically verify the following before administering medication(s):

(A) Right patient. The patient to whom the medication is to be administered matches the medication to be administered.

(B) Right medication. The medication to be administered matches the medication ordered for the patient.

(C) Right dose. The dose of the medication to be administered matches the dose of the medication ordered for the patient.

(D) Right route. The route of medication delivery matches the route specified in the medication order.

(E) Right time. The time that the medication was ordered to be administered compared to the current time.

(ii) Right documentation. Electronically record the time and date in accordance with the standard specified in § 170.210(g), and user identification when a medication is administered.

\*Depending on the type of certification issued to the EHR technology, it will also have been certified to the certification criterion adopted at 45 CFR 170.314 (g)(1), (g)(2), or both, in order to assist in the calculation of this meaningful use measure.

§ 170.210(g) Synchronized clocks

The date and time recorded utilize a system clock that has been synchronized following (RFC 1305) Network Time Protocol, (incorporated by reference in § 170.299) or (RFC 5905) Network Time Protocol Version 4, (incorporated by reference in § 170.299)

## 2.0 Purpose of Configuration and Test

The primary purpose of this BCMA activity is to both configure and test the BCMA hardware to include printers, scanners, and labels; BCMA Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS) software, and BCMA client in preparation for Software Quality Assurance (SQA) certification and release. Prior to the testing, the software must be loaded on the BCMA Test Account and the BCMA Team should test the software for functionality. If the software is not functioning as designed, this severely compromises the ability to assess the software from a usability perspective.

Test patients with appropriate test orders need to be set up prior to testing. If the BCMA Test account is open to other users, the patients to be used for the usability testing should be isolated or assigned to a single ward to prevent non-testing users from inadvertently disturbing the patients reserved for testing. If necessary, ensure the test user account is already set-up with the same levels of access that he or she is assigned in the live/production account to ensure the user experience is as close to the live/production experience as possible.

## 3.0 VA-IHS BCMA Cross-Functional Team

### 3.1 Co-Chairs

Last Name	First Name	Title
Graves	Cathi	Senior Management Analyst, BCRO, Office of Informatics and Analytics (OIA), VHA
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### 3.2 CFT Voting Members

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Taylor	David	BCMA Federal Lead, OIT, IHS
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### 3.3 Cross Functional Team Standing Members

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Bloch	Jaci	Clinical 1 Support Team, OIT, VA
Alcorn	Deborah	BCMA Nurse Consultant, OIT, IHS
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Cook	Sean	Business Analyst, DNC Contractor
Corma	Stephen	Pharmacist Consultant, BCRO, OIA, VHA
Cownie	Kevin	Clinical 3 Support Team, OIT, VA
Darwin	Wil	Chair, IHS National Pharmacy Council
Devlin	Vitalia	Clinical Product Support Division Director, OI&T, VA
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Lytte	Kim	Clinical 1 Support Team, OIT, VA

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Ray	Kathy	Clinicians' Information Management Technology Advisory Council (CIMTAC) Chair, Business Owner, IHS
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Scott	Hugh	VHA IHS Liaison and IT Informatics
Stearle	Carla	BCMA Pharmacy Consultant, OIT, IHS
Tucker	Chris	Director, BCRO, OIA, VHA
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Von Bibra	Linda	CIMTAC Representative, Business Owner, IHS
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### 3.4 Subject Matter Experts (IHS Areas with Hospitals)

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Boykin	Max	Nurse Consultant, Nashville Area Office
Campbell	Brian	Pharmacy Consultant, Phoenix Area Office
Cross	Charles	Information Technology Specialist, Oklahoma City Area Office
Crossland	Eugenia	Clinical Nurse Informaticist, Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC)
Dahozy	Carol	Nurse Consultant, Phoenix Area Office
Eller	Jim	Information Technology Specialist, Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority (CIHA)
Freeze	Travis	BCMA Project Lead, Chickasaw Nation Medical Center (CNMC)
Grosfield	Cheryl	BCMA Coordinator, Choctaw Nation Health Services Authority (CNHSA)
Helm	Elizabeth	Director of Pharmacy, CIHA
Kennedy	Melissa	BCMA Coordinator, CNMC
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Lambert	Wanda	BCMA Coordinator, CIHA
Loving	Becky	Nurse Consultant, Oklahoma City Area Office
Mosely	Elvira	Clinical Application Coordinator, Phoenix Area Office

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Rubin	Amy	Clinical Applications Coordinator, Oklahoma City Area Office
Simpson	Patrick	Information Technology Specialist, CNMC
Steers	Randy	Director of Inpatient Pharmacy Services, CNHSA
Toedt	Michael	Medical Director, CIHA
Von Bibra	Lynda	Clinical Application Coordinator, PIMC
Walling	Jeff	Pharmacist, PIMC
Wright	Mitch	Division of Information Resources Management Director, Nashville Area Office

### 3.5 Subject Matter Experts (VA – BCMA)

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### 3.6 Albuquerque Area Office BCMA Team

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Candelaria	Jacque	Meaningful Use Coordinator
Darwin	Wil	RPMS-EHR CAC/Pharmacy Consultant
Lucero	Joseph	Information Management Officer

### 3.7 Great Plains Area Office BCMA Team

Last Name	First Name	Title
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### 3.8 Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital (Sitka, AK) BCMA Team

Part of Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium.

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Heston	Teresa	Information Technology Staff
Langdorf	Brad	Chief Nursing Officer
McIntyre	Carlene	PharmD, Area Pharmacy Consultant, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (Florida)
Mercurief Barker	Jay	Information Technology Staff
Parrish	Wade	Information Technology Staff
Skan	Eric	Clinical Informaticist for Pharmacy
Stiles	Rhonda	Information Technology Staff

### 3.9 Nashville Area Office BCMA Team

Last Name	First Name	Title
Bartlett	Robin	Clinical Applications Coordinator, Pharmacy Consultant
Boykin	Max	Nurse Consultant
Wright	Mitch	Division of information Resources Management Director , Nashville Area Office

### 3.10 Navajo Area Office BCMA Team

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### 3.11 Oklahoma City Area Office BCMA Team

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Last Name	First Name	Title
Cross	Charles	Information Technology Specialist, Oklahoma City Area Office
Lambeth	Jonathan	Information Technology Specialist, Oklahoma Area
Loving	Becky	Nurse Consultant, Oklahoma City Area Office
Patten	Tracie	Pharmacy Consultant, Oklahoma City Area Office
Rubin	Amy	Clinical Applications Coordinator, Oklahoma City Area Office
Thompson	Robin	Asst. Clinical Applications Coordinator, Oklahoma Area

### 3.12 Phoenix Area Office BCMA Team

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Campbell	Brian	Acting Pharmacy Consultant
Cody	Keri	BCMA Coordinator (now Phoenix Area)
Dahozy	Carol	Nurse Consultant
John	Karen	Director of Clinical Informatics (Acting) Lead EHR Clinical Application Coordinator
Mosely	Elvira	Clinical Application Coordinator
Tennyson	Shawn	IT Specialist

### 3.13 PIMC BCMA Team

Last Name	First Name	Title
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Von Bibra	Lynda	Clinical Application Coordinator
Walling	Jeff	Pharmacist

## 4.0 Detailed Agenda

**Note:** Agenda is flexible and only intended to be a guide for BCMA Configuration & Test Activities. Activities are subject to change based upon unforeseen circumstances, availability of Subject Matter Experts & Professionals, technological challenges & barriers; and whatever else may arise.

**All Times are Central Time  
Monday**

Start	Topic
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At the end of this session participants should be able to:</li> <li>• Conduct an Emergency Room and Inpatient walk through and Medication Administration Assessment as well as general hospital tour</li> <li>• Examine the Inpatient Admission, Discharge, and Transfer process</li> <li>• Examine Observation Beds utilization</li> <li>• Examine ADT Inpatient Ward and Assignment of Beds Configuration to include Obstetrics, Newborns, and Day Surgery</li> <li>• Reconfigure Delayed Orders and Auto Discontinuation or Orders to align with Emergency Department, Ambulatory Clinic, Observation Bed Utilization, and CMS 2-Midnight Rule</li> <li>• Examine the BCMA Performance Improvement Checklist and apply to the BCMA Configuration and Test Process</li> <li>• Examine the ThinkTank® entries and apply to the BCMA Configuration and Test Process</li> <li>• Survey Performance Improvement data as it applies to the Medication Administration Process</li> <li>• Delineate the Medication Administration Process as it applies to BCMA and eMAR</li> <li>• Test the Converted IV Continuous and IV Intermittent as delineated in the EHR Version 1.1 Patch Note</li> <li>• Review Configuration of IV Continuous and IV Piggyback Medications</li> <li>• Configure Omnicell/Pyxis User Options</li> </ul>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>

**Tuesday**

<b>Start</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<p><b>BCMA Hardware and Installation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install, configure, and test BCMA printers/scanners – (if possible will attempt remote configuration with each site prior to onsite configuration): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Plug in scanner and scan setup card (each scanner has its own card). <b>Note:</b> Cards need to be retained in order to obtain warranty service and to reconfigure scanners as needed.</li> <li>– Install BCMA barcode wristband printer.[ZEBRA2824]</li> <li>– Test Using PRINT PATIENT WRISTBAND [DGPW PATIENT WRISTBAND PRINT].</li> <li>– Install, configure, and test BCMA IV Label Printer [ZEB_IV_BCMA].</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Test using INDIVIDUAL LABELS (IV) [PSJI LBLI].</li> <li>• Install, configure and test BCMA UD Label Printer [ZEB_UD_BCMA]</li> <li>• Test using Barcode Label Print [PSBO BZ]</li> <li>• Finalize printer setup including printhead adjustment and move to Intended Locations</li> </ul>
<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:30 PM</b>	<p><b>BCMA GUI Software Installation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install BCMA GUI on all workstations. (Requires Administrator Privileges): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– BCMA Software and Documentation are provided by SQA as a controlled release.</li> <li>– BCMA Client Install: Unzip Broker_BCMA_42.zip</li> <li>– Follow the instructions found in the Bar Code Medication Administration GUI Guide to install and configure the BCMA Client and BCMA Parameter icons (bcma0300.42o.pdf).</li> <li>– This Guide is copied to this document as Appendix B.</li> <li>– Test BCMA Client and BCMA Parameters Applications.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> When directed BCMA is activated by checking PSB Online (or set parameter PSB Online to “Yes”).</p>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>

**Wednesday**

Start	Topic
8:30 AM	<p><b>BCMA PSB3*42 RPMS and EHR Configuration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Associate Nursing Units with MAS Wards (ADT):                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Using Enter/Edit of FileMan NURS LOCATION file #211.4 (Create nursing unit names).</li> <li>– Match with the WARD LOCATION file #42.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Assess the Staffing, Geography, and Location of the Nursing Units to be able to combine reports.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Refer to the VA Nursing Package Documentation pages 17-23 regarding Nurse Location set-up and Ward Activation:  <a href="http://www.va.gov/vdl/documents/Clinical/Nursing/nurs4_um.pdf">http://www.va.gov/vdl/documents/Clinical/Nursing/nurs4_um.pdf</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a Mock Medication Entry for a demo patient in the BCMA Medication Log:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Using Enter/Edit of FileMan, in file #53.79 BCMA MEDICATION LOG.</li> <li>– Select a demo patient and enter a simple medication (e.g., Acetaminophen). This mock entry in the BCMA Medication Log is necessary to prevent a null subscript error that will occur if the file is empty.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Create RPMS MailMan group and members “BCMA Issues” for:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– BCMA order problems.</li> <li>– BCMA missing doses.</li> <li>– Make the Mailman group type: Public.</li> <li>– Consider including one or more printers as part of the group.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Configure the EHR Parameter ORWRP REPORT LIST to Include BCMA Reports:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ORRP BCMA MAH.</li> <li>– ORRP BCMA MED LOG.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Using Enter/Edit of Fileman in file #101.24 OE/RR REPORT configure Field Max Days Back for ORRP BCMA MAH and ORRP BCMA MED LOG Max Days Back to 30</li> <li>• Confirm that TaskMan is running.</li> <li>• Listener XWBTCP on PORT for Broker Access must be running:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Menu [XWB MENU].</li> <li>– Confer with RPMS site manager to identify the port number.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Ensure proper configuration with matching Station Number/Facility Number in:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– INSTITUTION file #4</li> <li>– MEDICAL CENTER DIVISION file #40.8</li> <li>– STATION NUMBER (TIME SENSITIVE) file #389.9</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Ensure that each Ward Location has both Institution and Medical Center Division assigned.</li> <li>• Ensure proper configuration of MEDICATION ROUTES FILE to “Prompt for Injection Site in BCMA” and “Display in IV IVPB Tab in BCMA” using Medication Route File Enter/Edit menu in PDM.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Prompt for Injection Site in BCMA/Yes (IVPB, IV Push, IM, SQ, SC)</li> <li>– Display in IV IVPB Tab in BCMA/Yes (IVPB, IV Push)</li> <li>– Review “Flag” and “Package” for IVPB, IV Push, IM, SQ, and SC.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
12:30 PM	Lunch

Start	Topic
1:30 PM	<p><b>BCMA Site Parameter GUI Configuration</b></p> <p>Configure BCMA GUI Parameter Tabs for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facility Tab: Check the BCMA On-Line box</li> <li>• Parameters Tab:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Output Devices: The print out can be defined at the division level only using the GUI</li> <li><b>Note:</b> PSB PRINTER MISSING DOSE may be set for the following:                     <pre style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px;"> 1 Location LOC [choose from HOSPITAL LOCATION] 2 Division DIV [choose from INSTITUTION] Enter selection: 1 Location HOSPITAL LOCATION  Select HOSPITAL LOCATION NAME: 9A-MED ----- Setting PSB PRINTER MISSING DOSE for Location: 9A-MED - -----MISSING DOSE PRINTER: [You Can Define your Printer of Choice]</pre> </li> <li>- Mail Groups</li> <li>- Reports</li> <li>- Bar Code Options</li> <li>- 5 Rights Override</li> <li>- Administration: require e-Sig to administer? (Suggest "No")</li> <li>- Allowable time limit (in minutes):</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Scheduled admin time before (suggest 60 min)</li> <li>• Scheduled admin time after (suggest 60 min)</li> <li>• PRN effectiveness entry within (suggest 240 min)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Virtual due list default times: (suggest 1 hour before and 1 hour after)</li> <li>- Include Schedule Types</li> <li>- Miscellaneous options:</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Allowable server-client clock variance</li> <li>• BCMA time out (suggest 15 minutes)</li> <li>• Default Answer Lists tab:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Injection sites</li> <li>- Reasons given PRN</li> <li>- Reasons held</li> <li>- Reasons refused.</li> <li><b>Note:</b> Refer to the BCMA Manager Manual for default answer list suggestions: <a href="http://www.va.gov/VDL/documents/Clinical/Pharm-Bar_Code_Med_Admin_(BCMA)/psb_3_man_um_r0912.pdf">http://www.va.gov/VDL/documents/Clinical/Pharm-Bar_Code_Med_Admin_(BCMA)/psb_3_man_um_r0912.pdf</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• IV Parameters:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Location</li> <li>- IV Type</li> <li>- Prompts</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5:00 PM	<b>Adjourn</b>

**Thursday**

<b>Start</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<p data-bbox="386 268 1292 296"><b>Drug File, Medication Quick Orders, and Medication Quick Order Menus</b></p> <p data-bbox="386 304 1040 331">At the end of this session participants should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="386 340 1360 432">• Complete drug file clean up as needed for training scenarios and create BCMA Medication Quick Orders and Menus <b>Note:</b> See Appendix A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="435 441 883 468">– Create Medication Menu Headers.</li> <li data-bbox="435 476 867 504">– Create Medication Quick Orders.</li> <li data-bbox="435 512 1192 539">– Hang the Medication Quick Orders to the Medication Menus.</li> </ul> </li> <li data-bbox="386 548 1403 1230">• Create 10-12 Demo, Patient BCMA patients for testing and training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="435 590 1403 653">– Demo, Patient BCMA <b>Trial</b> (to be used for all testing during configuration, test, training, and go-live). Note: “<b>Test</b>” will no longer work with EHR Patch 12.</li> <li data-bbox="435 661 808 688">– Demo, Patient BCMA Alpha</li> <li data-bbox="435 697 808 724">– Demo, Patient BCMA Bravo</li> <li data-bbox="435 732 824 760">– Demo, Patient BCMA Charlie</li> <li data-bbox="435 768 802 795">– Demo, Patient BCMA Delta</li> <li data-bbox="435 804 802 831">– Demo, Patient BCMA Echo</li> <li data-bbox="435 840 786 867">– Demo, Patient BCMA Fox</li> <li data-bbox="435 875 786 903">– Demo, Patient BCMA Golf</li> <li data-bbox="435 911 802 938">– Demo, Patient BCMA Hotel</li> <li data-bbox="435 947 1325 1010">– Demo, Patient BCMA <b>Instructor</b> (to be used by BCMA Instructor during configuration, test, training, and go-live)</li> <li data-bbox="435 1018 802 1045">– Demo, Patient BCMA Juliet</li> <li data-bbox="435 1054 786 1081">– Demo, Patient BCMA Kilo</li> <li data-bbox="435 1089 802 1117">– Demo, Patient BCMA Lima</li> <li data-bbox="435 1125 802 1152">– Demo, Patient BCMA Mike</li> <li data-bbox="435 1161 867 1188">– Demo, Patient BCMA November</li> <li data-bbox="435 1197 802 1224">– Demo Patient BCMA Oscar</li> <li data-bbox="435 1232 802 1260">– Demot Patient BCMA Papa</li> <li data-bbox="435 1268 1000 1295">– Admit demo patients BCMA to inpatient unit.</li> </ul> </li> <li data-bbox="386 1247 1365 1274">• Enter and finish medication orders as needed for testing and training scenarios.</li> <li data-bbox="386 1283 1198 1310">• Validate system setup is adequate for BCMA testing and training.</li> </ul>
<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

Start	Topic
1:00 PM	<p><b>BCMA Clinical User Accounts</b></p> <p>At the end of this session participants should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assign BCMA Secondary Menus:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– OR BCMA ORDER COM (Med Order Button)</li> <li>– PSB NURSE (Medication Administration Menu Nursing)</li> <li>– PSB PHARMACY (Medication Administration Menu Pharmacy)</li> <li>– PSB MGR (Bar Code Medication Coordinator/Administration Manager)</li> <li>– PSB GUI CONTEXT to each BCMA User</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Allocate BCMA Keys:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– PSB CPRS MED BUTTON for each User</li> <li>– PSB MANAGER to BCMA Coordinator and Nurse Managers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Load PIMS patch 1017 which includes the routine DGPWBD that contains the printer directions for printing the Wrist Band Bar Code, routine DGPMV, three Terminal Type and Device file entries for the IV, UD and Wrist Band Printers, and five options:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– BCMA Med Order Button by Date Range</li> <li>– BCMA Med Order Button Night Task</li> <li>– BCMA Drug Synonym Check</li> <li>– BCMA Drug iEN Synonym Check</li> <li>– BCMA Drug Pointer Check</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Modify routine APCDMSR1. This will later be distributed in BJPC patch 10.</li> <li>• Load EHR patch 12 to bring in routine BEHOENPC</li> <li>• Modify routine %ZISTCP. This will later be distributed in a Kernel patch.</li> <li>• Additional Keys for Pharmacists, Students, and Instructors will be assessed on a Site-by-Site Basis.</li> </ul>
Whenever	<b>Adjourn – Whenever All Preparation Tasks Are Completed</b>

## 5.0 Biographical Sketches

**CAPT Deborah Burkybile Alcorn, MSN, RN, CPC**

**EHR Deployment Specialist, IHS Office of Information Technology**

**United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) Regional Extension Center**

Deborah has been Registered Nurse for 32 years. During this time her nursing practice led her to work in a variety of private sector hospitals, clinics, tribal facilities, and for the last 20 years in Indian Health Service. CAPT Alcorn is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma. She received her commission in the U.S. Public Health Service in 1988 and works from the Nashville Area Office, Indian Health Service where she had served Tribes and IHS facilities in the role of Area Managed Care Consultant. Currently she is assigned to support the implementation of the Indian Health Service Electronic Health Record by assisting the IHS Office of Information Technology as one of the EHR Implementation Team Consultants.

Deborah Alcorn is also a Certified Professional Coder and has worked diligently with the Nashville Area Tribes to train and certify coding professionals at the Service Unit, Tribal, and Urban levels. Health Care Compliance is another field of particular interest and work for CAPT. Alcorn. Deborah's knowledge and expertise in nursing has enabled her to provide assistance to Indian Health Service, Tribal, and Urban facilities from both clinical and business perspectives with a focus on quality health care service delivery.

**CAPT Michael Allen, MIS, RPh**

**EHR Pharmacy Consultant, IHS Office of Information Technology**

**USET Regional Extension Center**

CAPT Allen is a commissioned Officer in the USPHS. He came from a family of pharmacists and holds a BS degree from Idaho State University. He has a Master of Information Systems degree from University of Phoenix. He started with USPHS after working in retail pharmacy for a few years. During his years in IHS he has served in Portland Area, Phoenix Area, and currently is in Tucson Area. His duties have included, besides being a pharmacist: Site Manager, Assistant Site Manager, CAC, Pharmacy Package Administrator, and POS specialist. He serves on the Pharmacy PSG and was recently appointed to the POS Technical Advisory Group. His children are out of the house and he has one granddaughter he misses greatly. He lives in Tucson with his wife and cat.

**Jonathon Bagby, MSN, MBA, RN-BC**

**Nurse Consultant**

**VHA Office of Informatics and Analytics, Bar Code Resource Office**

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

Jonathan Bagby, MSN, MBA, RN-BC is a board-certified informatics nurse with over 10 years' experience with the VA, spending much of that time representing the interest of field nurses as a subject matter expert in developing the electronic medical record. Jonathan is a Nurse Consultant for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Bar Code Resource Office providing nursing informatics support and education to staff at the

national level supporting over 150 VA medical centers. Prior to joining the Bar Code Resource Office, Jonathan worked for five years as the Nursing Informatics and BCMA Coordinator at McGuire VA Medical Center in Richmond, Virginia and led the nursing side of numerous projects (including revising the electronic medical record orientation program for new nurses, developing an electronic report for patient handoff, developing an electronic staff scheduling assistance program, and the implementation of automated medication distribution cabinets).

Jonathan has presented topics at several national informatics conferences including Health Information Management Systems Society (HIMSS), VeHU, and the unSUMMIT and is a published author of several peer reviewed articles. Jonathan has an Associate of Science degree from Richard Bland College of the College of William and Mary, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Virginia Commonwealth University, and a Master of Science in Nursing and Business Administration in Health Care Management from the University of Phoenix. He holds a Master's Certificate in Project Management from the George Washington University School of Business and is board-certified in Informatics through ANCC. His clinical background is in medical, surgical, and orthopedic nursing and has worked as a staff nurse, nurse manager, nursing informatics/BCMA coordinator, and nurse consultant.

### **CDR Bradley Bishop, PharmD, MPH**

#### **Pharmacy Consultant, IHS Office of Information Technology**

CDR Bradley Bishop is a Commissioned Officer in the United States Public Health Service and has been in the Indian Health Service since 2001. CDR Bishop received his Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy and Master of Public Health from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. He has been assigned to Sells, AZ; Tahlequah, OK; Tucson Area Office; and IHS Headquarters as a pharmacist, chief pharmacist, clinical applications coordinator, and pharmacy consultant.

### **Jaculyn Bloch**

#### **Information Technology Specialist**

#### **Clinical 1 Support Team/Clinical Product Support**

#### **Product Development, Department of Veterans Affairs**

Jaci is currently working as an Information Technology Support Specialist with the Department of Veterans Affairs. She started her career in 1984 as a Licensed Practical Nurse at the St. Cloud VA Health Care System working on the Nursing Home Care Unit. Jaci transferred to pharmacy, where she worked for 15 years as a registered pharmacy technician in all areas of the pharmacy including inpatient, outpatient, controlled substance management, inventory management, and procurement. She has worked as VistA Applications Coordinator (ADPAC) in the Pharmacy and Business Office service line acting as the liaison between the service and Information Resource Management (IRM).

In 2008, she joined the VISN 23 IT Department as a VistA Applications Support Specialist for the VistA pharmacy packages providing VistA and COTS pharmacy

support for all sites in VISN 23. Since 2011, Jaci has been working as an Information Technology Specialist for the Clin 1 Support Team, CPS, PD, Department of VA. Jaci's duties include reviewing and releasing software and supporting the VistA pharmacy packages including Inpatient, Outpatient, Controlled Substances, Drug Accountability, BCMA and CMOP. Jaci is currently working on several projects and workgroups including Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances, IMR V, IMR VI and BCMA for IHS.

**Barbara Connolly****Information Technology Specialist****Clinical 1 Support Team/Clinical Product Support****Product Development, Department of Veterans Affairs**

Barbara Connolly has been a member of the Clinical 1 Product Support team since 1998. In this capacity she has supported BCMA, Inpatient Medications and Outpatient Pharmacy and CMOP. She has been actively supporting BCMA since its inception in 1999. Prior to her position with Product Support she was the Data Manager for Primary care at the Albany VAMC. She was responsible for the management of the Primary Care teams and provided upper management with a variety of reports centered around provider work load. She mentored graduate school interns who were earning a degree in Public Health. Barbara also worked for 10 years as an IT Specialist for the Albany VAMC supporting a large variety of applications and developing local software.

**Sean Cook (Contractor)****Applications Systems Analyst, Data Networks Corporation (DNC)**

Sean Cook is an Applications Systems Analyst with DNC and has worked on contract with the Indian Health Service since 2010. His professional experience in Pharmacy spans more than a decade and includes in-depth experience in interoperability, automation, and team leadership. Sean spent several years with, Omnicare, the largest long term care pharmacy in Northern Illinois and a year with Provident Hospital of Cook County, Chicago. Prior to coming to Albuquerque, he provided systems and programming support for six pharmacies at Columbia St. Mary's in Milwaukee.

**Stephen Corma, BS Pharm, RPh****Pharmacist Consultant****VHA Office of Informatics and Analytics, Barcode Resource Office****U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

Stephen Corma is a registered Pharmacist serving as the Pharmacy Consultant for the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs Barcode Resource Office. He joined the VA in 1990 after spending 7 years as a staff pharmacist in various private sector hospitals. He began his VA career at the Wilkes-Barre VA Medical Center in Wilkes-Barre, PA and has performed in a variety of roles which included staff Pharmacist (both inpatient and outpatient), Inpatient Pharmacy Supervisor, Assistant Chief of Pharmacy, Acting Chief of Pharmacy, and ADPAC.

Stephen became interested in informatics with the initial roll out of BCMA and worked closely with the BCMA site coordinator, Pharmacy and Nursing staff to successfully implement through site set up, training, and ongoing support. He was selected as a site team member for the National BCMA Collaborative Breakthrough Series to optimize BCMA use. He has also participated on various national VHA Pharmacy Benefits Management work groups (medication reconciliation as site POC, and Systems & Parameters workgroup). He also worked with Physicians, Clinical Application Coordinators, & Clinical Pharmacists to create computerized order sets for various clinical pathways such as severe sepsis, diabetes management, hypertension, and anticoagulation. In his supervisory capacity, Stephen was responsible for oversight of Pharmacy Service programs which included expansion of Clinical Pharmacy services, budget control, planning, inventory management, staffing, performance, & quality assurance activities.

Stephen is a graduate of St. John's University, College of Pharmacy and Allied Health where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy. He is also the newest addition to the Barcode Resource Office, joining them as Pharmacist Consultant in October 2013.

**Kevin Cownie****Information Technology Specialist****Clinical 3 Support Team/Clinical Project Support****Product Development, Department of Veterans Affairs**

Kevin Cownie is currently an Information Technology Support Specialist with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Prior to working for the Department of Veterans Affairs he was an Application Programmer for a manufacturing company and a member of the Air National Guard. He has 25 years of service with the Department of Veterans Affairs which included seven years as Chief, Information Resource Management service. He joined national support as a member of the National Database Integration Team. This team was responsible for integrating numerous VA Hospital databases. Currently as a member of the Clin 3 Support Team he is responsible for supporting and releasing software for BCMA Contingency, Clinical Procedures, Functional Independence Measurement, Home Based Primary Care, Medicine, My HealtheVet, National Database Integration, QUASAR, Radiology, Spinal Cord, Suicide Hotline and VistA Imaging. He was heavily involved in the development of the BCMA Contingency package and more recently the startup of the Valley Coastal Bend Hospital along with the realignment of clinics in VISN 1.

**Kirk Fox****Information Technology Specialist****Clinical 1 Support Team/Clinical Product Support****Product Development, Department of Veterans Affairs**

Kirk Fox has 22 years of service with the Department of Veterans Affairs; he is currently a member of Clinical 1 Support Team since 2008 as an Information Technology Support Specialist. In this position, Kirk has been charged with releasing

and supporting software, including but not limited to BCMA, Inpatient Medications (both Unit Dose and IV Medications), and Outpatient Pharmacy packages.

Kirk has been involved with BCMA since version 1, at a site level and as active role in the BCMA Multi-Disciplinary for VISN 2 (five Integrated VA Medical Centers in New York). Additional VISN 2 roles include Application Support and Team Lead Application Support for BCMA for VISN 2. This position provided the opportunity to work on many projects assisting in the Development of National BCMA Contingency Plan, and the creation of BCMA Reports.

Prior roles in the VA include: Nurse Service 6 years, Medical Administration Service 2 years, and Information Technology Specialist for the last 14 years.

A firm believer in Gene Kranz's statement, "I don't care about what anything was DESIGNED to do, I care about what it CAN do."

### **Cathi Graves**

#### **Management Analyst, Bar Code Resource Office**

#### **Veterans Health Administration**

#### **Office of Informatics and Analytics**

#### **Health Informatics**

With over 27 years of VA experience, Cathi Graves is the senior Management Analyst for the BCRO. Cathi is an accomplished professional with in depth knowledge of project management, contract management, information systems training, information systems support, and hospital executive support. Ms. Graves is consistently recognized by peers for her ability to manage the strategic implementation of information technology systems within the VA. As part of the BCRO management team, Ms. Graves provides Project Management and Contract Management oversight, as well as business operations management support, overseeing the contractual aspects of the Bar Code Expansion-Positive Patient Identification (BCE-PPI) Project. Her project management and training development expertise serve as an integral part of the BCRO work efforts to assist, implement and operationalize the use of VA's BCMA and BCE-PPI applications.

Ms. Cathi Graves earned her Project Management Certificate from Baldwin Wallace College and a Master's certificate in Project Management from The George Washington University in March 2004. Ms. Graves began her VA career in 1985 at the Dallas VA Medical Center transitioning from Executive Assistant to the Associate Director to Computer Assistant within the IRM Office. In 1991, Ms. Graves transitioned to the Dallas IRM Field Office, National IRM Training Directorate, and was responsible for various Practicum Programs, planning, and delivery of VA National IRM Chiefs Conferences. She also provided oversight for the National IRM Training Program and provided contract oversight for national VMS System Management Training for IS professionals. Ms. Graves also provided National VistA Support for the Fiscal Management Team to support IFCAP, Pharmacy, and Fee Basis VistA applications.

In 1996, Ms. Graves joined the National Training and Education Office, now known as EES, as the National Education Project Manager for BCMA, Voluntary Service System, Patient Advocate Tracking System, Blind Rehabilitation V5.0, Veterans Personal Finance System, VistA Blood Establishment Computer Software, and the Medical Information Security Service. Ms. Graves also served as a National Education Project Manager for the Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS). In her Education Project Manager roles Ms. Graves was responsible for the management of all aspects of national training program development and execution. National training development and execution activities have included the delivery of training plans, objectives, and curricula, as well as overall management of SMEs/trainers and education assistant staff. In 1999, Ms. Graves was responsible for the planning and delivery of five national face-to-face training sessions for over 1,500 VA train-the-trainer staff, to support the deployment of BCMA. In her role with EES, Ms. Graves frequently represented the Director on OI national workgroups including representatives from VACO Senior Executive offices in the establishment of goals/objectives, processes, and tools as the VA moved from VistA to a HealthVet architecture.

**Dale K. Johnson, BSN, RN**

**IT Specialist, Clinical Product Support Team 2**

**Office of Information and Technology, Department of Veterans Affairs**

Dale Johnson is currently an Information Technology Specialist with National Clinical Product Support, Department of Veterans Affairs. Prior to national support, Dale labored as a Clinical Application Coordinator at VA Salt Lake City Health Care System for 10 years. Dale was the Lead CAC and handled a variety of issues at the VA Hospital. He has previously been involved in training IHS facilities in regards to shared applications with the VA VistA health record; consults, notes, clinical reminders and his group was recognized for this support.

Dale has worked as a Registered Nurse at the Salt Lake VA Telemetry unit, Acute Medicine and Recovery. This experience gives him a working knowledge as an end user of an Electronic Medical Record. Dale Started at the VA in 1991 after 4 years in the United States Marines. He is a strong advocate for Veteran issues. In his spare time he likes reading and writing about himself in the third person or can be found camping with his family whenever time and weather permits.

**Kim M. Lyttle, BS, MT(ASCP)**

**Information Technology Specialist**

**Clinical 1 Support Team/Clinical Product Support**

**Product Development, Department of Veterans Affairs**

Kim Lyttle is a registered Medical Technologist and is currently an Information Technology Support Specialist with the Department of Veterans Affairs. She has several years of experience as a Medical Technologist in the private sector. She has over 26 years of service within the Department of Veterans Affairs, including six years as a Medical Technologist, and seven years as an Information Technology Specialist at Martinsburg VAMC.

Since 2000 Kim has been assigned as an Information Technology Specialist for the Clin 1 Support Team, CPS, PD, Department of VA. Kim has been charged with releasing and supporting software, including but not limited to BCMA, Inpatient Medications (both Unit Dose and IV Medications), Pharmacy Data Management, Dental, Surgery, Drug Accountability, and Controlled Substances. Kim released BCMA Version 2.0, and was one of the primary release people for IMR IV. She has received multiple awards and accolades for her work, especially with BCMA. She is currently working on several projects and workgroups including SQWM, IMR V, IMR VI, Patient Safety for BCMA and Inpatient Medications, the BCMA workgroup, the Inpatient Medications Workgroup, BCE, and BCMA for IHS.

**Phil Odle, MSN, RN-BC**

**Informatics Nurse Specialist/BCMA-Coordinator**

**Marion Illinois Veterans Administration Medical Center**

Phil Odle obtained his Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Oklahoma Baptist University. While living in Shawnee, OK, he worked for almost ten years at Children's Hospital of Oklahoma in the Pediatric ICU and Post-Anesthesia Care Unit until 1991. During his time at Children's, he was a co-investigator on research in Parental Stressors in Neonatal and Pediatric ICU's and co-author of the published article based on that research.

He has been employed as a Registered Nurse in the VA since 1991. He began his VA career as a staff nurse in the Intensive Care Unit. He has held many positions within the facility, including ICU Nurse Manager, Clinic Float Nurse, Nursing Supervisor, and now he is the facility BCMA-C and Informatics Nurse Specialist. He was introduced to BCMA when it was first released to the VA in 1999. Beginning with his assignment as a Train-the-Trainer for version 2, he took on additional responsibilities with BCMA. He led a BCMA Collaborative Team related to Finishing After-hours Medication Entries to assist VA facilities which did not have 24/7 Pharmacy coverage. In 2012, he was one of several coordinators to serve as Mentors for a pilot program of virtual Mentoring for new BCMA coordinators, a project that was sponsored by the VA BCRO. He obtained a Master of Science in Nursing (Nursing Informatics) degree from Walden University. He is board certified in Nursing Informatics. In addition to duties at his local facility, Mr. Odle serves on several regional and national committees and task forces, such as field-based Subject Matter Expert for the VA BCRO Oversight Board, Applied Informatics Service Issue Brief Review Team, Clinical Procedures Flowsheet Terminology team, Clinical Information Systems/Anesthesia Record Keeping team, BCMA Web-Based Training team, and Nursing Informatics Field Alliance.

**Chris Saddler, RN**

**Information Technology Specialist, IHS Office of Information Technology**

Chris Saddler began working for IHS in 1980 as a Nurse Epidemiologist at the Alaska Native Medical Center. In 1984, she joined the fledgling IHS RPMS Development Team. She was responsible for the initial development of the VA's Laboratory package and instrument interfaces for IHS. Transferring to OIT National Programs in

2003, her initial assignment was upgrading the Radiology package for EHR. Other projects included the upgrade to Kernel v 8 and other infrastructure packages, PCC+, Vista Imaging, Women's Health, and serving as IHS Database Administrator for two years. She provided technical support for EHR deployment in Alaska, and continues to support multi-division and urban sites.

**Daphen Shum, BS Pharm, RPh**

**Pharmacy Supervisor/Informaticist (at Perry Point Division)**

**BCMA Coordinator, VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS)**

**Pharmacy Clinical Specialist, VHA PBM Clinical Informatics/Pharmacy Reengineering**

Daphen Shum is a registered pharmacist working in a variety of roles within the VA. She has over 31 years of service in the VA, with a few years working as a hospital pharmacist in the private sector. Her VA career started as a Pharmacy Technician. After becoming a pharmacist, when was involved in the initial implementation of DHCP / VISTA. She was involved as an ADPAC Informaticist soon after she started working at VAMC Perry Point in 1988, in addition to working in both the inpatient and outpatient pharmacy areas. She was involved in the implementation of BCMA in 2000 and was appointed BCMA Coordinator in 2005. She was involved on the team from VAMHCS, selected as a part of the national BCMA Collaborative Breakthrough Series, to facilitate the resolution of issues to optimize the use of BCMA. Other BCMA projects include a VISN 5 Pharmacist BCMA training initiative, BCMA Cross-Functional Team and BCMA Web-based Training Planning team. Current projects include iEHR Pharmacy SME, iEHR Bar Coding SME and BCMA for IHS.

**LCDR Carla Stearle, PharmD, BCPS, NCPS**

**ePrescribing EHR Pharmacy Consultant, IHS Office of Information Technology**

**USET Regional Extension Center**

LCDR Carla Stearle is a Commissioned Officer in the United States Public Health Service and has been in the Indian Health Service since 2004. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology from Penn State University in 2000 and her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Maryland College of Pharmacy in 2004. Carla completed a pharmacy practice residency at W.W. Hastings Cherokee Nation Indian Hospital in 2004 and remained at Hastings as a staff pharmacist until 2009. During her years at Hastings she was a member of both the local EHR implementation team and the local Medication Safety Team. She is now employed as an ARRA Pharmacy Consultant with the Office of Information Technology.

**CAPT (ret) David R. Taylor, MHS, RPh, PA-C, RN**

**EHR Training and Deployment Manager, IHS Office of Information Technology**

**USET Regional Extension Center**

Captain (ret) Taylor is a retired Commissioned Officer in the United States Public Health Service and is a certified physician assistant, registered pharmacist, and registered nurse. He holds more than 36 years of public health, clinical, and clinico-administrative experience in the IHS as both a Commissioned Officer and Federal Employee. Mr. Taylor has served as a pharmacist, physician assistant, quality manager, risk manager, and compliance officer for the Pine Ridge, South Dakota and Cherokee,

North Carolina Indian Hospitals. He has also served as an HIV/AIDS/STD consultant, performance improvement consultant, pharmacy consultant, diabetes clinical consultant, and RPMS health informatics consultant for the Nashville Area Indian Health Service. Since 2002 David Taylor has been assigned to the Indian Health Service Office of Information Technology as a National Medical Informatics Consultant and has been charged with both training and deployment of the Meaningful Use of an Electronic Health Record throughout the entire Indian Health Care system. David was awarded the PHS Meritorious Service Medal in recognition for his accomplishments in the EHR arena during his Commission.

**Chris Tucker, RPh**

**Director, Bar Code Resource Office**

**Veterans Health Administration, Office of Informatics and Analytics**

**Health Informatics**

Chris L. Tucker, RPh, is the Director of the BCRO within VHA OIA. His office provides strategic direction and oversight for BCMA and other bar code technology applications such as Clinical Laboratory, Anatomic Pathology, and Transfusion Verification. He received his pharmacy degree from Kansas University in 1979 and a Masters Certificate in Project Management from George Washington University's School of Business and Public Management in 2003.

Mr. Tucker has been an Industry Adviser in the Prescription for Change Series, First Do No Harm for the Clinical Initiatives Center of the Advisory Board Company, Washington, DC. He was a member of the Executive Council for the Patient Safety Reporting System administered by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Ames Research Center from 2003 through 2009. Mr. Tucker co-chaired the Product Identification (GTIN) Workgroup for GS-1 US Healthcare from 2008 through 2012 working together with healthcare leaders to adopt and use standards that will help organizations share data, promote accuracy, and work more efficiently to improve patient safety and lower healthcare costs through healthcare track and trace technology standardization.

He has been involved in software development and performance management for medication administration bar coding since 1994, assisting in the development of the BCMA prototype software at the Topeka VA Medical Center. BCMA has received two National Performance Review Awards from then Vic-President Al Gore. Mr. Tucker was a USA Today - RIT Quality Cup Finalist in 2000, and received the HIMSS Article of the Year Award in 2002. His Office has received a Way Paver Award from the UnSummit in 2006 and a Cheers Award from the Institute of Safe Medication Practices in 2009. Mr. Tucker's has authored the following publications concerning the use of point of care medication administration technology:

- "Using BCMA Software to improve Patient Safety in Veterans Administration Medical Centers." Journal of Healthcare Information Management, vol 16, No.1,pg 46-51

- “VA pursues Bar Code Quality.” American Journal of Health-System Pharmacists, July 2004
- “Using Point of Care to Reduce Medication Errors.” Understanding Health Communications Technologies, edited by Michigan State University’s Institute of Health Care Studies in collaboration with Kansas University Medical School’s Health and Technology Outreach. Josey-Bass Publishers, September 2004
- “The VA’s Multidisciplinary Approach to Bar Coded Medication Administration Implementation.” Pharmacy Purchasing and Products, May 2009, vol 6, no.5
- “Quality-monitoring Program for Bar-Code-Assisted Medication Administration.” American Journal of Health System Pharmacy, June 2009, Vol. 66

**Catherine Whaley, PMP (Contractor)****EHR and BCMA Project Manager**

Catherine Whaley is a DNC Project Manager based in Tucson, AZ. She holds an AAS in Accounting and an AA in General Studies from Anoka-Ramsey Community College with a PMP Certification from PMI. Her experience includes over 20 years of Information Technology including customer support, software development, design and development of classroom training documentation, training/instruction/facilitation, testing, business analysis, and project management. She has participated in the requirements gathering efforts and developed requirements for multiple applications. Since she started with IHS in 2010, she has worked as Project Lead for the 2012 Meaningful Use Certification project, Project Manager of the Stage 1 Meaningful Use Team and most recently Project Manager for the EHR Deployment and Training, eRx Deployment and BCMA projects.

**Jan-Erik R. Zeller, RN-BSN, MBA-TM****Education Project Manager****EES****Veterans Health Administration**

Jan-Erik Zeller is currently a Project Manager with the EES Clinical IT Applications Division charged with developing and implementing education and training plans involving various VHA clinical applications projects. He specializes in clinical applications such as the Bar Code Medication Administration, Bar Code Expansion, Simulation and CPRS packages. His professional career consists of eight years of IT experience followed by eight years of working as a registered nurse in the Neuro-Trauma and Surgical ICUs and three years working as a Clinical Applications Coordinator. He has served as a Subject Matter Expert for numerous clinical applications and Root Cause Analyses. Over the years he has assisted with and presented at various health care related conferences.

## Acronym List

Acronym	Term Meaning
ADPAC	VistA Applications Coordinator
BCE	Bar Code Expansion
BCMA	Bar Code Medication Administration
BCRO	Bar Code Resource Office
CAH	Critical Access Hospital
CEHRT	Certified Electronic Health Record Technology
CIHA	Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority
CIMTAC	Clinicians' Information Management Technology Advisory Council
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
CNHS	Choctaw Nation Health Services Authority
CNMC	Chickasaw Nation Medical Center
CPRS	Computerized Patient Record System
DNC	Data Networks Corporation
EES	Employee Education System
EHR	Electronic Health Record
eMAR	electronic Medication Administration Record
EP	Eligible Professional
HIMSS	Health Information Management Systems Society
IHS	Indian Health Service
IRM	Information Resource Management
OIA	VA Office of Informatics and Analytics
OIT	Office of Information Technology (at both VA and IHS)
PIMC	Phoenix Indian Medical Center
PPI	Positive Patient Identification
RPMS	Resource and Patient Management System
SQA	Software Quality Assurance
USET	United South and Eastern Tribes
VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
VAMHCS	VA Maryland Health Care System
VHA	Veterans Health Administration