

2025 Spring Training Conference

The New Federal Market

Healthcare Day

June 26, 2025

7:00—8:45 AM	Registration and Networking Breakfast
8:45—9:00 AM	 Welcome Remarks Main Ballroom Roger Waldron, President, The Coalition for Common Sense in Government Procurement
9:00—10:00 AM	 Keynote Address — Federal Budget and Legislative Developments Main Ballroom Moshe Schwartz, President, Etherton and Associates
10:00—10:15 AM	Break
10:15—11:15 AM	 The New VA Office of Acquisition, Logistics, & Construction Main Ballroom Moderator: Curt Curtis, Vice President, Government National Accounts, Solventum Joseph Maletta, Acting Senior Procurement Executive and Executive Director, Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Christopher Parker, Associate Executive Director, Strategic Acquisition Center and Acting Associate Executive Director, National Acquisition Center, VA
11:15—11:30 AM	Break
11:30—12:30 PM	 Healthcare Legal Panel Main Ballroom Kristin Hicks, Partner, Arnold & Porter James Kim, Shareholder, Polsinelli Stephen Ruscus, Partner, BakerHostetler Jennifer Plitsch, Partner, Covington & Burling
12:30—1:30 PM	Networking Lunch
1:30—2:15 PM	 VA FSS Program – Pricing Calculation & Contracting Issues Main Ballroom Greg Madden, Managing Member, Orlaithe Consulting Ted Karnezis, Principal Owner, Karnezis Consulting
2:15—2:30 PM	Transition to Breakouts
2:30—3:30 PM	Breakout Sessions

The Latest on DHA Pharmaceutical Program

Junior Ballroom (Lower Level)

- Moderator: Jonathan Ross, VP of Pharmaceutical Sales, AvKARE
- Ed Norton, Chief of Pharmacy Operations, Defense Health Agency (DHA)

VA Medical/Surgical Prime Vendor Program

Main Ballroom

Craig Hilliard, Division Chief, Medical/Surgical Prime Vendor (MSPV) Supplies, VHA

3:30—3:45 PM Transition to Breakouts

3:45—4:45 PM Breakout Sessions

VA Pharmacy Program

Junior Ballroom (Lower Level)

 Tom Emmendorfer, Executive Director, Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (PBM), VA (invited)

DLA Med/Surg Prime Vendor & ECAT Program

Main Ballroom

- Moderator: Beverly Kuykendall, Chief Strategy Officer, AvMEDICAL
- Dan Keefe, Director, Medical Supply Operations, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Medical Troop Support
- **Brian Mason**, IST Chief/Contracting Officer, ECAT Med/Surg Program, DLA Medical Troop Support
- Abin Mathai, IST Chief, Dressing, Tools, and Instruments, DLA Medical Troop Support

4:45—6:30 PM Networking Reception

All speakers and conference attendees are welcome to attend and continue the day's conversations at the networking reception.