



**Spring Training Conference**  
**The Evolving Healthcare Market**  
**May 14, 2026**

- 7:00— 8:30 AM**      **Registration and Networking Breakfast**
- 8:30— 8:45 AM**      ***Welcome Remarks***  
Main Ballroom
- **Roger Waldron**, President, The Coalition for Common Sense in Government Procurement
- 8:45— 9:15 AM**      ***Keynote Address: Healthcare Budget & Legislative Updates***  
Main Ballroom
- **Moshe Schwartz**, Defense Fellow, The Coalition for Common Sense in Government Procurement and President, Etherton and Associates
- 9:15— 9:30 AM**      **Break**
- 9:30— 10:30 AM**      ***VA Leadership Panel***  
Main Ballroom
- **Moderator: Kale English**, Sr. Dir, Strategic Government Partnerships - Medical Surgical, Solventum
  - **Phil Christy**, Principal Executive Director and Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition, Logistics & Construction (OALC), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
  - **Christopher Parker**, Deputy Principal Executive Director & Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, OALC, VA
  - **Jeffrey Neill**, Senior Procurement Executive and Executive Director, Office of Acquisition and Logistics (OAL), VA
- 10:30— 11:30 AM**      ***VA Contracting Programs Panel***  
Main Ballroom
- **Moderator: Aubrey Woolley**, Vice President, The Coalition for Common Sense in Government Procurement
  - **Joy Smith**, Acting Associate Executive Director of the Strategic Acquisition Center (SAC) and the National Acquisition Center (NAC), VA
  - **Curtis Jordan**, Executive Director, Regional Procurement Office - West, Veterans Health Administration (VHA)
- 11:30— 12:30 PM**      **Networking Lunch**
- 12:30— 1:00 PM**      ***Lunch Keynote: The National Security Strategy for Medical***  
Main Ballroom
- **Wayland Coker**, Acting Deputy Director and Supply Chain Optimization Director, ASPR, HHS
- 1:00— 2:00 PM**      ***Healthcare Customer Agency Panel***  
Main Ballroom
- **Joffrey Benford**, CMA Division Director, BARDA and Head of Contracting Activity, ASPR, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

*\*Please note that all speakers are invited unless otherwise noted as confirmed.*

- **Lenearo Ashford**, Director, Logistics Commodity Management, Office of Supply Chain (OSC), VHA
- **Daniele Kurze**, Executive Director, Small Business Programs, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)

**2:00— 2:15 PM**

**Transition to Breakouts**

**2:15— 3:15 PM**

**Nuts & Bolts Sessions**

*VA Prosthetics*

- **Moderator: Kurt Meyer**, National Accounts, Abbott
- **Kevin Quitmeyer**, Director, Denver Logistics Center (DLC), VA
- **Ardene Nichols**, Clinical Program Manager, Prosthetic and Sensory Aids Services, VA
- **Andrea Lay**, Director, Commodities and Services Acquisition Service, OPAL, NAC, VA
- **Nathan Bradley**, Director of Acquisition Services, AS4, SAC, VA

*DLA Medical Troop Support*

- **Moderator: Johnnie Robles**, Sr. Director, Contract Operations and Business Development, BD
- **Dan Keefe**, Director, Medical Supply Operations, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Troop Support

**3:15— 3:30 PM**

**Transition**

**3:30— 4:30 PM**

*VA Pharmacy Program*

- **Moderator: Mike Valentino**, Pharmacy Consultant
- **Tom Emmendorfer**, Executive Director, Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (PBM), VA
- **Sharon Chang**, Director, Federal Supply Schedule Program, NAC, VA
- **Diana Lawal**, FSS Pharm and Negotiation Division Chief, VA

*VA Medical/Surgical Supplies*

- **Moderator: Chad Gibson**, Sr. Account Manager, National Accounts (Federal Government), Johnson & Johnson
- **Jeremy Parker**, MSPV Branch Chief, Team 1, VHA
- **Felicia DeMita**, MSPV GenZ-V1 Contracting Officer, SAC, VA
- **Takia Dunn**, Deputy Program Manager, Medical Supply Program Office (MSPO), VA
- **Sarah Scott**, Branch Chief, MSPV Supplies, VHA
- **Lenearo Ashford**, Director, Logistics Commodity Management, Office of Supply Chain (OSC), VHA

**4:30— 6:30 PM**

**Networking Reception**

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

**All Day: "Ask the PMO" Tabletops**

**VA Office of Acquisition Logistics and Construction (OALC) Table**

**VA Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) Table**

**Sharon Chang**, Director, Federal Supply Schedule Program, NAC, VA

**AMSUS-SM**

**Susan Bachenheimer**, Director of Membership, AMSUS-SM

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