

# Virtual Care CORE



January 2023 Newsletter

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## Recent News from OCC and the VC CORE

**Congratulations to PIs on their Funded Projects from our OCC and Associate Investigator RFAs for FY23!**

*OCC FY23 Rapid QI Funding Awardees and Projects:*

- **Elizabeth Burkhart, PhD, RN;** A comparison of the PGHD System to the GTS Virtual Health Platform for Veterans with Spinal Cord Injuries and Disorders (SCI/D)
- **Helen Hoenig, MD, MPH;** Measuring Physical Function with Video Telehealth Technology
- **Ashok Reddy, MD, MS & Leah Marcotte, MD, MS;** A Mobile Virtual Health Resource Center-Plus Pilot to Address Multiple Digital Access Barriers Among Rural Veterans
- **Aasma Shaukat, MD, MPH;** Using a Novel ANNIE App to Improve FIT Follow Up
- **Rebecca Kinney, PhD, MPH;** Examining Disparities in Access to and Engagement with Virtual T2DM Care Among Black and Hispanic Veterans
- **Charlie Wray, DO, MS & Jacqueline Ferguson, PhD;** Finding the Right Mix: Establishing the Optimal Ratio of Virtual to In-Person Care among Veterans with Diabetes
- **Constance Fung, MD, MSHS, Garrett Ash, PhD & Selene Mak, PhD, MPH;** Feasibility and Acceptability of Using Consumer Wearables in a Self-Monitoring Program for Promoting Patient Activation and Engagement among Veterans Prescribed non-PAP Therapy for Obstructive Sleep Apnea
- **Seshadri Mudumbai, MD, MS, Karthik Raghunathan, MD, MPH, & Atilio Barbeito, MD, MPH;** Evaluating and Improving Access to Virtual Anesthesia Care: Identifying Veterans Preferences for Preprocedural Evaluation and Optimization, and Providers' Perceptions about Value

### **Final Reminder and Deadline Extension: THRIVE Pilot Project RFA**

The THRIVE team are requesting proposals for pilot studies that are focused on virtual care modalities for Veterans with cancer, with specific interests in social determinants of telehealth and health equity. Pilot studies can be at the facility, VISN or national level. They may be interventional or observational. The deadline for applications has been extended to **11:59 PM EST on January 16, 2023**. Applications or questions about the RFA may be sent directly to [Navid.Dardashti@va.gov](mailto:Navid.Dardashti@va.gov).

*VC CORE FY23 Associate Investigator Funding Awardees and Projects:*

- **Noah Wolkowicz, PhD;** Mobile Health in MOUD: Perspectives from VHA Stakeholders
- **Boback Ziaieian, MD, PhD;** Virtual Care Impact on Heart Failure Quality and Outcomes

- **Jacqueline Ferguson, PhD**; Describing Variation in the Proportion of Virtual and In-Person Care Among Veterans
- **Connor Drake, PhD, MPH**; Implementation Barriers and Facilitators to Translate PRACTICE-DM into Real-World Settings

### Funding and Presentation Opportunities and Deadlines

Opportunities	Contact	Deadline
<b>TeleHealth Research and Innovation for Veterans with Cancer (THRIVE) Pilot RFA:</b> The THRIVE team are requesting proposals for pilot studies that are focused on virtual care modalities for Veterans with cancer, with specific interests in social determinants of telehealth and health equity. Pilot studies can be at the facility, VISN or national level. They may be interventional or observational.	View the RFA on our <a href="#">Funding Opportunities Page</a> ; contact <a href="mailto:navid.dardashti@va.gov">navid.dardashti@va.gov</a> with any questions or to submit your proposal	1/16/2023 11:59 PM EST

### Recent Virtual Care Publications

- Garvin LA, Greenan, M. A., Edelman, E. J., Slightam, C., McInnes, D. K., Zulman, D. M. Increasing Use of Video Telehealth Among Veterans Experiencing Homelessness with Substance Use Disorder: Design of A Peer-Led Intervention. *Journal of Technology in Behavioral Science*. 2022;doi:10.1007/s41347-022-00290-2.

### Upcoming Meetings and Cyberseminars

Title	Presenter(s)	Date/Time
<a href="#">Tech into Care: Mobile Mental Health Lecture Series - PTSD Coach "in the Wild": Findings and Lessons Learned from Public Use Data</a>	Haijing Hallenbeck, PhD	1/11/2023 12:00 – 1:00 PM EST
<a href="#">Developments in Virtual Care Technologies, Delivery, and Data Acquisition</a>	Terry Newton, MD Cathy Buck, RN, MS, GNP-BC Sara B. DeRycke	1/19/2023 2:00 – 3:00 PM EST

### Past Presentations and Cyberseminars

Title	Presenter(s)	Date/Time
<a href="#">Tech into Care: Mobile Mental Health Lecture Series - Clinical Virtual Reality: A Brief Review of the Future</a>	Greg Reger, PhD Albert "Skip" Rizzo, PhD	12/14/2022 12:00 – 1:00 PM EST
<a href="#">Navigating VA Data Access: An Overview of the Process for Requesting Permission to Use VA Data</a>	Linda Kok, MA	12/5/2022 1:00 – 2:00 PM EST

## Links to Resources

### Telehealth

- [VHA Telehealth Services Website](#)
- [Telehealth Intranet Site](#)
- [VHA Mobile and Peripheral Devices for Facilities](#)

### VA Mobile

- [VA Mobile | VA App Store](#)
- [New VA Mobile 'My App List' functionality/categories](#)
- [ANNIE Automated Texting System | SharePoint site](#)
- [VACO Mobile Mental Health & Technology | SharePoint site](#)
- [VA Mobile Health Practice Guide | SharePoint site](#)

### MyHealtheVet

- [MyHealtheVet | Portal Homepage](#)
- [MyHealtheVet | VA Intranet Product Homepage](#)
- [My HealtheVet Statistics - My HealtheVet Product \(va.gov\)](#)
- [My HealtheVet Secure Messaging Reports Guide](#)

### Data Reports, Measures, Definitions, and Training

- [VHA Reports and Measures Portal \(RAMP\)](#)
- [Reporting and Analytics Field Training \(RAFT\)](#)
- [VSSC – Connected Care, Telehealth, Call Centers](#)
- [Data Definitions for VSSC Data Cubes](#)

### Patient Generated Health Data

- [Approved VA Policy on PGHD](#)
- [PGHD video for staff](#)

### General Office of Connected Care

- [Connected Care Website](#)
- [Connected Care Outreach Toolkit](#)
- [Connected Care Academy](#) (VA Intranet Required)

## Contact Information

- For any comments or questions about material in this newsletter or about the Virtual Care Consortium of Research, please email the CORE team at [VHAVirtualCareCore@va.gov](mailto:VHAVirtualCareCore@va.gov).
- Please let us know if you have news to share with the community! Email us and we will add it to the next newsletter.
- Finally, [follow us on Twitter](#) for regular, bird-sized bits of information!

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*The mission of the VA Virtual Care Consortium of Research is to facilitate research that evaluates and improves use of virtual care to enhance the accessibility, capacity and quality of VA health care and Veteran experience.*

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