Privacy Impact Assessment for the VA IT System called:

Occupational Health Record-Keeping System (OHRS) 2.0

Veterans Health Administration (VHA)

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Abstract

The abstract provides the simplest explanation for “what does the system do?” and will be published online to accompany the PIA link.

The Occupational Health Record-Keeping System (OHRS 2.0) provides Employee Occupational Health (EOH) staff the ability to create, maintain, and monitor medical records for VA employees including the ability to generate site-specific reports at the National, Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN), and facility levels. OHRS 2.0 will be iteratively developed and will include features that address EOH needs such as: COVID-19 Crisis Tracking Module, Integrations with HR smart (employee demographics) Voluntary Service System (VSS) and VistA/CPRS, Appointment Scheduler, Case Management Medical Surveillance, Vaccination Tracking/Management, Respirator Fit Module Tuberculosis/PPD, Automated Reporting of Health Surveillance, Medications/Allergies/Scripts, Orders, Safety, Utilization, Visits, Case Management, and Industrial Hygiene, Role-based access control, Migration of Data from Legacy Product CMS Volunteer Tracking, Billing, Realtime update/link to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance, Mobile capability, Adherence with VA Security and Privacy Requirements, Reporting Capability Medical Surveillance, Vaccinations/Immunizations/Immunity, Infectious Disease, Work-Related, Disaster Relief, Personal Illness and Health Promotion.

Overview

The overview is the most important section of the PIA. A thorough and clear overview gives the reader the appropriate context to understand the responses in the PIA. The overview should contain the following elements:

- The IT system name and the name of the program office that owns the IT system.
- The business purpose of the program, IT system, or technology and how it relates to the program office and agency mission.
- The expected number of individuals whose information is stored in the system and a brief description of the typical client or affected individual.
- If your system is a regional GSS, VistA, or LAN, include a list of the hospitals/medical centers, or other regional offices that fall under your system. Additionally, what region is the system under?
- A general description of the information in the IT system.
- Any information sharing conducted by the IT system. A general description of the modules and subsystems, where relevant, and their functions.
- Whether the system is operated in more than one site, and if so, a description of how use of the system and PII is maintained consistently in all sites and if the same controls are used across sites.
- A citation of the legal authority to operate the IT system.
- Whether the completion of this PIA will result in circumstances that require changes to business processes.
- Whether the completion of this PIA could potentially result in technology changes.
• If the system is in the process of being modified and a SORN exists, will the SORN require amendment or revision and approval?

• Does the system use cloud technology? If so, Does the system have a FedRAMP provisional or agency authorization? If the system does use cloud technology, but does not have FedRAMP authorization, explain how the Cloud Service Provider (CSP) solution was assessed and what FedRAMP documents and processes were used for the assessment in order to comply with VA Handbook 6517.

• Does a contract with Cloud Service Provider, Contractors and VA customers establish who has ownership rights over data including PII?

• NIST 800-144 states, “Organizations are ultimately accountable for the security and privacy of data held by a cloud provider on their behalf.” Is this principle described in contracts with customers? Why or why not?

• What is the magnitude of harm if privacy related data is disclosed, intentionally or unintentionally? Would the reputation of the CSP or its customers (VA) be affected?

The Occupational Health Record-Keeping System (OHRS) 2.0, Veterans Health Administration is the selected solution to provide all EOH staff with features such as documentation, forms, physicals, tracking, ordering. This solution is directly tied to VA’s COVID-19 response efforts by automating the process and data elements that are currently being manually tracked in a spreadsheet (N95 mask fittings and staff and locations with test results). OHRS 2.0 is expected to be used to provide care to 400,000 VA Occupational Health employees who are responsible for providing care to Veterans and other VA employees. It integrates with HR PAS for employee demographic data via one-way daily feeds. OHRS 2.0 is a VA Salesforce application deployed enterprise wide. OHRS 2.0 is comprised of staff facing modules that will be deployed in the Salesforce Government Cloud Plus (SFGCP) system. It will contain employee demographics, physicals, vaccination tracking, employee health documentation, forms, and mandatory health reports. OHRS 2.0 will eventually consist of modules that address the following business needs: COVID-19 Crisis Tracking Module, Appointment Scheduler, Case Management Medical Surveillance, Vaccination Tracking/Management, Respirator Fit Module Tuberculosis/PPD, Automated Reporting of Health Surveillance, Medications/Allergies/Scripts, Orders, Safety, Utilization, Visits, Case Management, and Industrial Hygiene, Role-based access control, Billing, Realtime update/link to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance, Mobile capability, Adherence with VA Security and Privacy Requirements, Reporting, Medical Surveillance, Vaccinations/Immunizations/Immunity, Infectious Disease, Work-Related, Disaster Relief, Personal Illness and Health Promotion. There will be one-way integrations with HR PAS (employee demographics) Voluntary Service System (VSS) and VistA/CPRS and the migration of data from Legacy Product CMS Volunteer Tracking. OHRS 2.0 will be managed and maintained from the SFGCP sites located with the Amazon Web Services (AWS) GovCloud (West) region as specified in the SFGCP Salesforce PIA. The specific security controls leveraged by VA Salesforce, in addition to a detailed description of the SFGCP /Salesforce security boundaries, are documented in the VA SFGCP System Security Plan (SSP). OHRS 2.0 is one of several modules hosted on the Salesforce Government Cloud Plus (SFGCP) platform. The VA Salesforce cites the following legal authority references: SFGCP FedRAMP Package authorized since May 27, 2020. The package name is Salesforce - Salesforce Government Cloud Plus and package ID is FR2003061248. VA Authority to Operate (ATO) for the VA Salesforce Government Cloud Plus platform granted 1/21/2021 and expires on 8/6/2023. This PIA alone will not result in circumstances that require changes to the business processes. PIA completion is not expected to result in technology changes. The records are maintained in Employee Medical File Systems of Records (OPM/GOVT-10) for Title 5 employees and VA 08VA05 for Title 38 employees which authorize various routine use disclosures without the employee’s written release of information or authorization. All records created in OHRS shall be
managed according to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), General Records Schedule (GRS) 1, Civilian Personnel Records, Items 21 & 34, and VHA Records Control Schedule (RCS) 10-1

OHRS 2.0 is hosted on the SFGCP platform which is both FedRAMP and VA authorized. Cloud Service Provider (CSP) and VA Salesforce contracts establish VA as having ownership rights of all data and establishes that VA is ultimately accountable for the security and privacy of data held by a cloud provider on its behalf. Furthermore, the VA Salesforce contract stipulates the contractor shall not retain any copies of data in full, or in part, at the completion of the period of performance. The data shall contain no proprietary elements that would preclude the VA from migrating the data to a different hosting environment or preclude the VA from using a different case management solution. If privacy related data is disclosed, intentionally or unintentionally, per the assessment completed by the Special Forces Project Team in accordance with eMASS Questionnaire 1-1 Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability Classification Questionnaire, the magnitude of harm is categorized as “HIGH Impact”.

Section 1. Characterization of the Information

The following questions are intended to define the scope of the information requested and collected as well as the reasons for its collection as part of the program, IT system, or technology being developed.

1.1 What information is collected, used, disseminated, created, or maintained in the system?

Identify and list all Sensitive Personal Information (SPI) that is collected and stored in the system, including Individually Identifiable Information (III), Individually Identifiable Health Information (IIHI), Protected Health Information (PHI), and Privacy- Protected Information. For additional information on these information types and definitions, please see VA Directives and Handbooks in the 6500 series (https://vaww.va.gov/vapubs/). If the system creates information (for example, a score, analysis, or report), list the information the system is responsible for creating.

If a requesting system receives information from another system, such as a response to a background check, describe what information is returned to the requesting system.
This question is related to privacy control AP-1, Authority To Collect, and AP-2, Purpose Specification.

Please check any information listed below that your system collects, uses, disseminates, creates, or maintains. If additional SPI is collected, used, disseminated, created, or maintained, please list those in the text box below:

- Name
- Social Security Number
- Date of Birth
- Mother’s Maiden Name
- Personal Mailing Address
- Personal Phone Number(s)
- Personal Fax Number
- Personal Email
- Emergency Contact Information (Name, Phone Number, etc. of a different individual)
- Financial Account Information
- Health Insurance Beneficiary Numbers
- Account numbers
- Certificate/License numbers
- Vehicle License Plate Number
- Internet Protocol (IP) Address Numbers
- Current Medications

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Additional SPI received from the HRIS system: Gender, job position, employee ID and occupational health information for Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) compliance.

PII Mapping of Components

OHRS 2.0 consists of one (1) key component. The component has been analyzed to determine if any elements of that component collect PII. The type of PII collected by OHRS and the reasons for the collection of the PII are in the table below.

### PII Mapped to Components

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<th>Components of the information system (servers) collecting/storing PII</th>
<th>Does this system collect PII? (Yes/No)</th>
<th>Does this system store PII? (Yes/No)</th>
<th>Type of PII (SSN, DOB, etc.)</th>
<th>Reason for Collection/Storage of PII</th>
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<td>HR-PAS</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Social Security Number, name, e-mail, address, gender, DOB, job position, employee ID</td>
<td>Information is used to track individuals (employees) who are showing signs of contracting the COVID-19 virus or influenza or who have been confirmed as having contracted the virus.</td>
<td>Data will not be transmitted to non-VA storage.</td>
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1.2 What are the sources of the information in the system?

List the individual, entity, or entities providing the specific information identified above. For example, is the information collected directly from the individual as part of an application for a benefit, or is it collected from other sources such as commercial data aggregators?
Describe why information from sources other than the individual is required. For example, if a program’s system is using data from a commercial aggregator of information or data taken from public Web sites, state the fact that this is where the information is coming from and then in question 1.3 indicate why the system is using this source of data.

If the system creates information (for example, a score, analysis, or report), list the system as a source of information.

This question is related to privacy controls DI-1, Data Quality, and IP-1, Consent.

The direct source of the PII data elements within OHRS 2.0 include the following but are not limited to:

**Human Resource Information System Shared Service Center (HRIS SSC) HR-PAS Database:** Integration with HR-PAS database will provide employee Social Security Number, name, e-mail, address, gender, DOB, job position, employee ID.

**1.3 How is the information collected?**

This question is directed at the means of collection from the sources listed in question 1.2. Information may be collected directly from an individual, received via electronic transmission from another system, or created by the system itself. Specifically, is information collected through technologies or other technology used in the storage or transmission of information in identifiable form?

If the information is collected on a form and is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, give the form’s OMB control number and the agency form number.

This question is related to privacy controls DI-1, Data Quality, and IP-1, Consent.

An MOU has been established between HRIS SSC and VA OI&T EPMD Health regarding the development, management, operation, and security of a connection between HR-SMART (HR-PAS database), owned by HRIS SSC, and OHRS 2.0. The information from the HR-PAS will be transmitted one way to OHRS 2.0 via flat file and web service API. All data is encrypted during this collection process.

Initial employee data will be “pre-loaded” into OHRS 2.0. Once data is pre-loaded, data will be sent via a flat file and web service API on a daily interval.

Other transmission mechanisms include but are not limited to:

- For user-provided data: via data typed into on-screen forms

Reference: SFGCP control implementation statement CA-09 Internal System Connections for details.
1.4 What is the purpose of the information being collected, used, disseminated, created, or maintained?

Include a statement of why the particular SPI is collected, maintained, used, or disseminated in the system is necessary to the program’s or agency’s mission. Merely stating the general purpose of the system without explaining why this particular type of information should be collected and stored is not an adequate response to this question.

If the system collects, uses, disseminates, or maintains publicly available or commercial data, include a discussion of why commercial data is relevant and necessary to the system’s purpose. This question is related to privacy control AP-2, Purpose Specification.

The information being transmitted from HR-PAS to OHRS 2.0 is used to track individuals (employees) who are showing signs of contracting the COVID-19 virus or influenza or who have been confirmed as having contracted the virus. All data will remain within the VA boundary.

1.5 How will the information be checked for accuracy? How often will it be checked?

Discuss whether and how often information stored in the system is checked for accuracy. Is information in the system checked against any other source of information (within or outside your organization) before the information is used to make decisions about an individual? For example, is there a computer matching agreement in place with another government agency? For systems that receive data from internal data sources or VA IT systems, describe the system checks to ensure that data corruption has not occurred during transmission.

If the system checks for accuracy by accessing a commercial aggregator of information, describe this process and the levels of accuracy required by the contract. This question is related to privacy controls DI-1, Data Quality, and DI-2, Data Integrity and Integrity Board.

The employee demographic information retained in the system is received directly from the authoritative source which is HRIS SSC via a flat file and/or API. Information accuracy is conducted at the point of service with the patient by Occupational Health Staff as part of the business workflow and information management. The procedure to update inaccurate or erroneous employee information, i.e., spelling of names, date of birth, social security number, in OHRS 2.0 requires requests should go through Human Resources.

1.6 What specific legal authorities, arrangements, and agreements defined the collection of information?

List the full legal authority for operating the system, specifically the authority to collect the information listed in question 1.1. Provide the authorities in a manner understandable to any potential reader, i.e., do not simply provide a legal citation; use statute names or regulations in
addition to citations. Legal authorities include Federal laws, regulations, statutes, and Executive Orders.

This question is related to privacy control AP-1, Authority to Collect

- VA SORN#08VA05 Employee Medical File Systems of Records for Title 38 Employees
- Employee Medical File Systems of Records (OPM/GOVT-10) for Title 5 employees
- HIPAA Privacy Rule, 45 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 164, Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information
- Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, as amended
- VA Handbook 6500.2, Management of Data Breaches Involving Personal Information (SPI), 2016
- VA Directive 6066, Protected Health Information (PHI) and Business Associate Agreements Management, 2014

1.7 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: Characterization of the information

Consider the specific data elements collected and discuss the potential privacy risks and what steps, if any, are currently being taken to mitigate those identified risks.

Consider the following Fair Information Practice Principles (FIPPs) when assessing the risk to individual privacy:

Principle of Purpose Specification: Explain how the collection ties with the purpose of the underlying mission of the organization and its enabling authority.

Principle of Minimization: Is the information directly relevant and necessary to accomplish the specific purposes of the program?

Principle of Individual Participation: Does the program, to the extent possible and practical, collect information directly from the individual?

Principle of Data Quality and Integrity: Are there policies and procedures for VA to ensure that personally identifiable information is accurate, complete, and current?

This question is related to privacy control AR-1, Governance and Privacy Program, and AR-2, Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment.

Follow the format below when entering your risk assessment:

Privacy Risk: If appropriate safeguards are not in place, the Sensitive Personal Information (SPI) including personal contact information, SSN and medical information may be compromised and release to unauthorized individuals.
Mitigation: The OHRS 2.0 application adheres to information security requirements instituted by the VA Office of Information Technology (OIT). OHRS 2.0 receives the data from VA Authoritative Data Sources authorized to collect and transmit the data. OHRS 2.0 will be hosted in the SFGCP which is rated at System Categorization Level HIGH and the data is stored in a FedRAMP certified HIGH environment protected by HIGH level security controls. SFGCP implements cryptography that is compliant with federal laws and regulations i.e., FIPS 140-2. All PII data is encrypted during transport and encrypted at rest. Profile based permissions will govern what access users have access to.

Section 2. Uses of the Information

The following questions are intended to clearly delineate the use of information and the accuracy of the data being used.

2.1 Describe how the information in the system will be used in support of the program’s business purpose.

Identify and list each use (both internal and external to VA) of the information collected or maintained.
This question is related to privacy control AP-2, Purpose Specification.

Data Elements

PII (Patient Profile)

How Data Is Used: Full name, date of birth, address, email address
Information Type: C.2.8.9 Personal Identity and Authentication Information Type

PHI (Patient Encounters)

How Data Is Used: Clinical observations, diagnosis (ICD-10 codes), treatment course (services provided (CPT codes), examination level), immunizations, vaccines, fit test for mask, health demographics
Information Type: D.14.4 Health Care Delivery Services Information Type

COVID-19 Test Results

How Data Is Used: COVID-19 test results
Information Type: D.14.4 Health Care Delivery Services Information Type

2.2 What types of tools are used to analyze data and what type of data may be produced?
Many systems sift through large amounts of information in response to a user inquiry or programmed functions. Systems may help identify areas that were previously not obvious and need additional research by agents, analysts, or other employees. Some systems perform complex analytical tasks resulting in, among other types of data, matching, relational analysis, scoring, reporting, or pattern analysis. Describe any type of analysis the system conducts and the data that is created from the analysis.

If the system creates or makes available new or previously unutilized information about an individual, explain what will be done with the newly derived information. Will it be placed in the individual’s existing record? Will a new record be created? Will any action be taken against or for the individual identified because of the newly derived data? If a new record is created, will the newly created information be accessible to Government employees who make determinations about the individual? If so, explain fully under which circumstances and by whom that information will be used.

This question is related to privacy controls DI-1, Data Quality, DI-2, Data Integrity and Integrity Board, and SE-1, Inventory of Personally Identifiable Information.

Information collected is utilized by Authentication and Authorization (A&A) services of Active Directory (AD) and “Modules” applications in both the pre-production/production environments. OHRS 2.0 does not perform data analysis or create data from data analysis. Derived data is displayed to users in actionable reporting formats. It is not stored and not attached to an individual’s record.

2.3 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: Use of the information. How is access to the PII determined? Are criteria, procedures, controls, and responsibilities regarding access documented? Does access require manager approval? Is access to the PII being monitored, tracked, or recorded? Who is responsible for assuring safeguards for the PII?

Describe any types of controls that may be in place to ensure that information is handled in accordance with the uses described above. Example: Describe if training for users of the project covers how to appropriately use information. Describe the disciplinary programs or system controls (i.e. denial of access) that are in place if an individual is inappropriately using the information.

Consider the following FIPPs below to assist in providing a response:

Principle of Transparency: Is the PIA and SORN, if applicable, clear about the uses of the information?

Principle of Use Limitation: Is the use of information contained in the system relevant to the mission of the project?

This question is related to privacy control AR-4, Privacy Monitoring and Auditing, AR-5, Privacy Awareness and Training, and SE-2, Privacy Incident response.

Add answer here:
Controls on the Salesforce platform, which host OHRS 2.0, are in place to ensure data is used and protected in accordance with legal requirements, VA policies, and VA’s stated purpose for using the data. Controls include mandatory training completion for all employees, volunteers, and contractors. Additionally, audits are performed to ensure information is accessed and retrieved appropriately. VA and Salesforce have implemented required security and privacy controls for Federal information systems and organizations according to NIST SP 800-53 and VA Handbook 6500, Risk Management Framework for VA Information Systems. Per the approval of the Acting Assistant Secretary for Information Technology [the VA Authorizing Official (AO)]. The Salesforce FedRAMP HIGH ATO package employs security controls in the respective HIGH security control baselines unless specific exceptions have been allowed based on the tailoring guidance provided in VA agency HIGH ATO for Salesforce and NIST Special Publication 800-53 and specific VA directives. VA Records Management Policy and the VA Rules of Behavior in Talent Management System (TMS) govern how health information is used, stored, and protected.

Access Control:
The OHRS 2.0 application is accessible to internal users who require logical access to VA information services/applications. Account creation is managed and offered through VA via Single Sign On internal (SSOi) and two factor authentication (2FA) Personal Identity Verification (PIV) card.

### Section 3. Retention of Information

The following questions are intended to outline how long information will be retained after the initial collection.

#### 3.1 What information is retained?

Identify and list all information collected from question 1.1 that is retained by the system. This question is related to privacy controls DM-1, Minimization of Personally Identifiable Information, and DM-2, Data Retention and Disposal.

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#### 3.2 How long is information retained?
In some cases VA may choose to retain files in active status and archive them after a certain period of time. State active file retention periods, as well as archived records, in number of years, for the information and record types. For example, financial data held within your system may have a different retention period than medical records or education records held within your system, please be sure to list each of these retention periods.

The VA records officer should be consulted early in the development process to ensure that appropriate retention and destruction schedules are implemented. This question is related to privacy control DM-2, Data Retention and Disposal.

VA will retain PII for only as long as necessary to fulfill the specified purpose(s) and in accordance with a National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)-approved record retention schedule. OIT retains audit records for a defined time period to provide support for after-the-fact investigations of security incidents and to meet regulatory and VA information retention requirements. A minimum of 1 year or as documented in the NARA retention periods, HIPAA legislation (for VHA), or whichever is greater. Audit logs which describe a security breach must be maintained for 6 years (HIPAA requirement).

PII data retention period: Temporary; destroy when business use ceases. (GRS 4.2 item 140, DAA-GRS-2013-0007-0013).

Financial data retention period: Temporary; destroy when 3 years old, but longer retention is authorized if needed for business use. (GRS 1.1 item 001, DAA-GRS-2016-0013-0001).

Education data retention period: Temporary; destroy 7 years after the education activity is closed. (N1-015-11-4, Item 1 & 2).

3.3 Has the retention schedule been approved by the VA records office and the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)? If so please indicate the name of the records retention schedule.

An approved records schedule must be obtained for any IT system that allows the retrieval of a record via a personal identifier. The VA records officer will assist in providing a proposed schedule. The schedule must be formally offered to NARA for official approval. Once NARA approves the proposed schedule, the VA records officer will notify the system owner. This question is related to privacy control DM-2, Data Retention and Disposal.

The records are maintained in Employee Medical File Systems of Records (OPM/GOVT-10) for Title 5 employees and VA 08VA05 for Title 38 employees which authorize various routine use disclosures without the employee’s written release of information or authorization. All records created in OHRS shall be managed according to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), General Records Schedule (GRS) 1, Civilian Personnel Records, Items 21 & 34, and VHA Records Control Schedule (RCS) 10-1SFGCP records are retained according to NARA Record Control Schedule 10-1 (reference: https://www.archives.gov/).
This system complies with all VA retention and disposal procedures specified in VA Handbook 6300 and VA Directive 6300. Records contained in the Salesforce FedRAMP cloud will be retained in accordance with a NARA-approved retention period.

### 3.4 What are the procedures for the elimination of SPI?

*Explain how records are destroyed or eliminated at the end of the retention period. Please give the details of the process. For example, are paper records shredded on site, or by a shredding company and accompanied by a certificate of destruction, etc? This question is related to privacy control DM-2, Data Retention and Disposal*

SFGCP follows VA Handbook 6300.1, “Records Management Procedures. Electronic data and files of any type, including PII, PHI, SPI and more are destroyed in accordance with the Department of Veterans’ Affairs Handbook 6500.1, Media Sanitization (January 23, 2019). When required, this data is deleted from their file location and then permanently deleted from the deleted items or Recycle bin. In the event data extension is unused for six (6) months, then the cloud-hosted regulations, Salesforce Data Retention Policy will be implemented as needed. Salesforce Government Cloud commits to removing data entirely from their systems within six (6) months after archiving/end of contract.

### 3.5 Does the system, where feasible, use techniques to minimize the risk to privacy by using PII for research, testing, or training?

*Organizations often use PII for testing new applications or information systems prior to deployment. Organizations also use PII for research purposes and for training. These uses of PII increase the risks associated with the unauthorized disclosure or misuse of the information. Please explain what controls have been implemented to protect PII used for testing, training and research. Have policies and procedures been developed to minimize the use of PII for testing, training, and research? This question is related to privacy control DM-3, Minimization of PII Used in Testing, Training and Research*

No PII/live data is used for training, testing, or research. All internal employees with access to employee’s information are required to complete the VA Privacy and Information Security Awareness training and Rules of Behavior annually.

### 3.6 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: Retention of information

*Discuss the risks associated with the length of time data is retained and what steps, if any, are currently being taken to mitigate those identified risks.*

While we understand that establishing retention periods for records is a formal process, there are policy considerations behind how long a project keeps information. The longer a project retains information, the longer it needs to secure the information and assure its accuracy and integrity. The proposed schedule should match the requirements of the Privacy Act to keep the minimum amount of
PII for the minimum amount of time, while meeting the Federal Records Act. The schedule should align with the stated purpose and mission of the system.

Consider the following FIPPs below to assist in providing a response:

**Principle of Minimization:** Does the project retain only the information necessary for its purpose? Is the PII retained only for as long as necessary and relevant to fulfill the specified purposes?

**Principle of Data Quality and Integrity:** Has the PIA described policies and procedures for how PII that is no longer relevant and necessary is purged?

This question is related to privacy controls DM-1, Minimization of Personally Identifiable Information, and DM-2, Data Retention and Disposal.

Follow the format below:

**Privacy Risk:** If information is retained longer than specified, privacy information may be released to unauthorized individuals.

**Mitigation:** The risk associated with the length of time the data is retained is considered minimal. All data at rest within the SFGCP security boundary is encrypted in accordance with FIPS 140-2, as well as protected by FedRAMP certified “HIGH” security controls. Use of FedRAMP HIGH controls implemented under the FedRAMP ATO. Collectively, these controls within the SFGCP security boundary provide maximum protection to all VA Salesforce data. SFGCP only retains the required relevant information relevant as long as necessary to fulfill the specified purpose(s) and in accordance with a National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)-approved record retention schedule.

### Section 4. Internal Sharing/Receiving/Transmitting and Disclosure

The following questions are intended to define the scope of information sharing/receiving/transmitting within VA. NOTE: Question 5 on Privacy Threshold Analysis should be used to answer this question.

4.1 With which internal organizations is information shared/received/transmitted? What information is shared/received/transmitted, and for what purpose? How is the information transmitted?

*Identify and list the names of any program offices, contractor-supported IT systems, and any other organization or IT system within VA with which information is shared.*

*State the purpose for the internal sharing. If you have specific authority to share the information, provide a citation to the authority.*

*For each interface with a system outside your program office, state what specific data elements (PII/PHI) are shared with the specific program office, contractor-supported IT system, and any other organization or IT system within VA.*
Describe how the information is transmitted. For example, is the information transmitted electronically, by paper, or by some other means? Is the information shared in bulk, on a case-by-case basis, or does the sharing partner have direct access to the information? This question is related to privacy controls AP-2, Purpose Specification, AR-3, Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers, AR-8, Accounting of Disclosures, TR-1, Privacy Notice, and UL-1, Internal Use.

Data Shared with Internal Organizations

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<th>List the purpose of the information being shared/received with the specified program office or IT system</th>
<th>List the specific data element types such as PII/PHI that are shared/received with the Program Office or IT system</th>
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4.2 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: Internal sharing and disclosure

Discuss the privacy risks associated with the sharing of information within the Department and what steps, if any, are currently being taken to mitigate those identified risks. This question is related to privacy control UL-1, Internal Use.

Follow the format below:

**Privacy Risk:** If appropriate safeguards are not in place, then Privacy information shared within the Department may result in unauthorized data access.

**Mitigation:** Release of PII to unauthorized individuals is prohibited by the Privacy standards mandated to all VA employees, affiliates, trainees, volunteers, and contractors. Both contractor and VA employees are required to take Privacy, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act...
Section 5. External Sharing/Receiving and Disclosure

The following questions are intended to define the content, scope, and authority for information sharing external to VA, which includes Federal, State, and local governments, and the private sector.

5.1 With which external organizations (outside VA) is information shared/received? What information is shared/received, and for what purpose? How is the information transmitted and what measures are taken to ensure it is secure?

Is the sharing of information outside the agency compatible with the original collection? If so, is it covered by an appropriate routine use in a SORN? If not, please describe under what legal mechanism the IT system is allowed to share the information in identifiable form or personally identifiable information outside of VA.

Note: This question is #7 in the Privacy Threshold Analysis.

Identify and list the names of any Federal, State, or local government agency or private sector organization with which information is shared.

For each interface with a system outside VA, state what specific data elements (PII/PHI) are shared with each specific partner.

What legal mechanisms, authoritative agreements, documentation, or policies are in place detailing the extent of the sharing and the duties of each party? For example, is the sharing of data compatible with your SORN? Then list the SORN and the applicable routine use from the SORN. Is there a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Computer Matching Agreement (CMA), or law that mandates the sharing of this information?

Describe how the information is transmitted to entities external to VA and what security measures have been taken to protect it during transmission.

This question is related to privacy control UL-2, Information Sharing with Third Parties

(HIPAA), and information security training annually. Safeguards are implemented to ensure data is not sent to unauthorized VA employees, including employee security and privacy training, and required reporting of suspicious activity. Use of secure passwords, access for need to know basis, Personal Identification Verification (PIV) Cards, Personal Identification Numbers (PIN), encryption, and access authorization are all measures that are utilized for the system. The VA Salesforce Business Module Owner defined the software product configuration requirements to customize data access needs for each role category, as well as limiting access within organizational boundaries.
Data Shared with External Organizations

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If specific measures have been taken to meet the requirements of OMB Memoranda M-06-15 and M-06-16, note them here.

Not Applicable.

5.2 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: External sharing and disclosure

Discuss the privacy risks associated with the sharing of information outside the Department and what steps, if any, are currently being taken to mitigate those identified risks.

Discuss whether access controls have been implemented and whether audit logs are regularly reviewed to ensure appropriate sharing outside of the Department. For example, is there a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU), contract, or agreement in place with outside agencies or foreign governments.

Discuss how the sharing of information outside of the Department is compatible with the stated purpose and use of the original collection.

This question is related to privacy control AR-2, Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment, AR-3, Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers, and AR-4, Privacy Monitoring and Auditing

Follow the format below:

**Privacy Risk:** Not applicable, as there is no sharing of information outside of Salesforce or VA with external partners.

**Mitigation:** Not applicable, as there is no sharing of information outside of Salesforce or VA with external partners.

**Section 6. Notice**

The following questions are directed at providing notice to the individual of the scope of information collected, the right to consent to uses of the information, and the right to decline to provide information.
6.1 Was notice provided to the individual before collection of the information? If yes, please provide a copy of the notice as an appendix. (A notice may include a posted privacy policy, a Privacy Act notice on forms, or a system of records notice published in the Federal Register.) If notice was not provided, why not?

This question is directed at the notice provided before collection of the information. This refers to whether the person is aware that his or her information is going to be collected. A notice may include a posted privacy policy, a Privacy Act statement on forms, or a SORN published in the Federal Register. If notice was provided in the Federal Register, provide the citation.

If notice was not provided, explain why. If it was provided, attach a copy of the current notice.

Describe how the notice provided for the collection of information is adequate to inform those affected by the system that their information has been collected and is being used appropriately. Provide information on any notice provided on forms or on Web sites associated with the collection. This question is related to privacy control TR-1, Privacy Notice, and TR-2, System of Records Notices and Privacy Act Statements, and TR-3, Dissemination of Privacy Program Information.

VA does not collect personal information, unless the personal information is voluntary provided by the web user. The VA Privacy Act implementation rules are 38 CFR 1.575 - 38 CFR 1.580, and can be found here. Collection of personal information will be completed online by the end user(s), the web page should tell the end user(s) in advance in any applicable Limited Privacy Policy’s Privacy Act Statement. The Privacy Act Statement will contain any additional privacy policies that apply to the information collected on a web page. The web pages that collect personal information will have a hyperlink to the Limited Privacy Policy that applies to the web page. VA’s Privacy Policy can be found at https://www.va.gov/privacy-policy

The OHRS 2.0 application receives its data collection directly from the EOH staff and per the MOU with HRIS SSC.

6.2 Do individuals have the opportunity and right to decline to provide information? If so, is a penalty or denial of service attached?

This question is directed at whether the person from or about whom information is collected can decline to provide the information and if so, whether a penalty or denial of service is attached. This question is related to privacy control IP-1, Consent, IP-2, Individual Access, and IP-3, Redress

Individuals/Veterans have the right to decline to provide their information; however, without providing the information cannot originate a specific Module case record under the OHRS 2.0 application.

6.3 Do individuals have the right to consent to particular uses of the information? If so, how does the individual exercise the right?
This question is directed at whether an individual may provide consent for specific uses or the consent is given to cover all uses (current or potential) of his or her information. If specific consent is required, how would the individual consent to each use?
This question is related to privacy control IP-1, Consent

Individuals do not have the option to decline to provide information for specific uses to the source VA systems.

6.4 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: Notice
Describe the potential risks associated with potentially insufficient notice and what steps, if any, are currently being taken to mitigate those identified risks.

Consider the following FIPPs below to assist in providing a response:

Principle of Transparency: Has sufficient notice been provided to the individual?

Principle of Use Limitation: Is the information used only for the purpose for which notice was provided either directly to the individual or through a public notice? What procedures are in place to ensure that information is used only for the purpose articulated in the notice?
This question is related to privacy control TR-1, Privacy Notice, AR-2, Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment, and UL-1, Internal Use

Follow the format below:

Privacy Risk: There is a risk that EOH staff and employees may not be familiar with OHRS 2.0 and it uses within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Mitigation: The VA mitigates this risk by providing an Employee Occupational Health (EOH) Training Sharepoint site that contains Talent Management System (TMS) links (TMS training course #43340) and quick reference guides that provides training and guidance to all staff and users across the VA. Users are required to take the final assessment and earn at a 70% before they are given access to the system.

Section 7. Access, Redress, and Correction
The following questions are directed at an individual’s ability to ensure the accuracy of the information collected about him or her.

7.1 What are the procedures that allow individuals to gain access to their information?

Cite any procedures or regulations your program has in place that allow access to information. These procedures, at a minimum, should include the agency’s FOIA/Privacy Act practices, but may also include additional access provisions. For example, if your program has a customer satisfaction
unit, that information, along with phone and email contact information, should be listed in this section in addition to the agency’s procedures. See 5 CFR 294 and the VA FOIA Web page at http://www.foia.va.gov/ to obtain information about FOIA points of contact and information about agency FOIA processes.

If the system is exempt from the access provisions of the Privacy Act, please explain the basis for the exemption or cite the source where this explanation may be found, for example, a Final Rule published in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

If the system is not a Privacy Act system, please explain what procedures and regulations are in place that covers an individual gaining access to his or her information. This question is related to privacy control IP-2, Individual Access, and AR-8, Accounting of Disclosures.

The confidentiality of occupational health care records of employees of the Federal government are protected by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 United States Code (U.S.C. 552a; the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act (FECA), 5 U.S.C. Chapter 81, and Title 20 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 10, Subpart A, Privacy Procedures for Personnel Records in Title 5 CFR Parts 293 and 297; Public Law 110-233, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (GINA), and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule, 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164. The records are maintained in Employee Medical File Systems of Records (OPM/GOVT-10) for Title 5 employees and VA 08VA05 for Title 38 employees which authorize various routine use disclosures without the employee’s written release of information or authorization. All records created in OHRS shall be managed according to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), General Records Schedule (GRS) 1, Civilian Personnel Records, Items 21 & 34, and VHA Records Control Schedule (RCS) 10-1

7.2 What are the procedures for correcting inaccurate or erroneous information?

Describe the procedures and provide contact information for the appropriate person to whom such issues should be addressed. If the correction procedures are the same as those given in question 7.1, state as much. This question is related to privacy control IP-3, Redress, and IP-4, Complaint Management.

The procedure to update inaccurate or erroneous employee information, i.e spelling of names, date of birth, social security number, in OHRS 2.0 requests should go through Human Resources.

To update inaccurate vaccination records, The OHRS 2.0 Administrator, assigned to each facility, should be engaged to update. An approval process within the module is completed. When a record is approved for correction, the data is serialized and moved into the archive object, and the record, immunization or immunization dose, is hidden in the system. If any-one needs the data from the original record, the data can be retrieved and re-instated in a new record.

73 How are individuals notified of the procedures for correcting their information?
How are individuals made aware of the procedures for correcting his or her information? This may be through notice at collection or other similar means. This question is meant to address the risk that even if procedures exist to correct information, if an individual is not made fully aware of the existence of those procedures, then the benefits of the procedures are significantly weakened. This question is related to privacy control IP-3, Redress, and IP-4, Complaint Management.

The OHRS 2.0 Administrator, identified for each facility, can guide users to seek corrections via Human Resources.

7.4 If no formal redress is provided, what alternatives are available to the individual?

Redress is the process by which an individual gains access to his or her records and seeks corrections or amendments to those records. Redress may be provided through the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and also by other processes specific to a program, system, or group of systems. This question is related to privacy control IP-3, Redress, and IP-4, Complaint Management.

Example: Some projects allow users to directly access and correct/update their information online. This helps ensure data accuracy.

OHRS 2.0 allows users to directly view their records and for updates to their personal information, seek guidance from Human Resources. All HR data is to come from the integration to HR-PAS.

7.5 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: Access, redress, and correction

Discuss what risks there currently are related to the Department’s access, redress, and correction policies and procedures for this system and what, if any, steps have been taken to mitigate those risks. For example, if a project does not allow individual access, the risk of inaccurate data needs to be discussed in light of the purpose of the project. For example, providing access to ongoing law enforcement activities could negatively impact the program’s effectiveness because the individuals involved might change their behavior.

Consider the following FIPPs below to assist in providing a response:

Principle of Individual Participation: Is the individual provided with the ability to find out whether a project maintains a record relating to him?

Principle of Individual Participation: If access and/or correction is denied, then is the individual provided notice as to why the denial was made and how to challenge such a denial?

Principle of Individual Participation: Is there a mechanism by which an individual is able to prevent information about him obtained for one purpose from being used for other purposes without his knowledge?

This question is related to privacy control IP-3, Redress.
Follow the format below:

**Privacy Risk:** If individuals are not provided sufficient guidance regarding the access, redress, and correction of their data, then individuals could initiate adverse personnel actions against the Government.

**Mitigation:** By publishing this PIA, VA makes the public aware of methods for correcting their records. Because this system does not hold authoritative records long-term, it is unlikely individuals will feel the need to correct their information in this system.

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**Section 8. Technical Access and Security**

The following questions are intended to describe technical safeguards and security measures.

### 8.1 What procedures are in place to determine which users may access the system, and are they documented?

*Describe the process by which an individual receives access to the system.*

*Identify users from other agencies who may have access to the system and under what roles these individuals have access to the system. Who establishes the criteria for what PII can be shared?*

*Describe the different roles in general terms that have been created to provide access to the system. For example, certain users may have "read-only" access while others may be permitted to make certain amendments or changes to the information.*

*This question is related to privacy control AR-7, Privacy-Enhanced System Design and Development.*

#### Access Control:

The OHRS 2.0 application is accessible to internal users who require logical access to VA information services/applications. Account creation is managed and offered through VA via Single Sign On internal (SSOi) and two factor authentication (2FA) Personal Identity Verification (PIV) card.

### 8.2 Will VA contractors have access to the system and the PII? If yes, what involvement will contractors have with the design and maintenance of the system? Has a contractor confidentiality agreement or a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) been developed for contractors who work on the system?

*If so, how frequently are contracts reviewed and by whom? Describe the necessity of the access provided to contractors to the system and whether clearance is required. If Privacy Roles and Responsibilities have been established to restrict certain users to different access levels, please*
describe the roles and associated access levels. Explain the need for VA contractors to have access to the PII.

This question is related to privacy control AR-3, Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers.

The Salesforce Digital Transformation Center (DTC) contractor team supports the VA Salesforce production environment and as such has access to the OHRS 2.0 system and data contained therein. The Contractor and its employees, as appropriate, shall be required to sign Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDA). This includes PII and VA Sensitive Information. The contractors who provide support to the system are required to complete annual VA Privacy and Information Security and Rules of Behavior training via the VA’s Talent Management System (TMS). Crystal Moultrie serves as the VA Contract Officer’s Representative (COR) for the Salesforce DTC contract and Michael Domanski is the VA Salesforce System Owner. Mr. Domanski maintains governing authority over all VA Salesforce environments. The Salesforce DTC team will maintain users, update applications and components, introduce new functionality, govern deployment activities and ensure user operability. The Salesforce DTC members are not primary users VA Salesforce. Mr. Domanski will monitor and review VA Salesforce related support contracts on a regular basis to ensure no gaps in support for the platform and community users. Developers do not have access to production PII.

8.3 Describe what privacy training is provided to users either generally or specifically relevant to the program or system?

VA offers privacy and security training. Each program or system may offer training specific to the program or system that touches on information handling procedures and sensitivity of information. Please describe how individuals who have access to PII are trained to handle it appropriately.
This question is related to privacy control AR-5, Privacy Awareness and Training.

As an action under the Continuous Readiness in Information Security Program (CRISP), VA’s Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology issued a memorandum requiring all VA government and contract staff to complete information security awareness and applicable role based training. All VA government and contract staff are required to complete information security awareness and applicable role based training and maintain Talent Management System (TMS) Training Certificates of completion for VA Privacy and Information Security Awareness (PISA), Rules of Behavior (ROB), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). After the user’s initial acceptance of the Rules, the user must re-affirm their acceptance annually as part of the privacy and security awareness training. Acceptance is obtained via electronic acknowledgment and is tracked through the TMS 2.0 system.

8.4 Has Authorization and Accreditation (A&A) been completed for the system?

If Yes, provide:

1. The date the Authority to Operate (ATO) was granted,
2. Whether it was a full ATO or ATO with Conditions,
3. The amount of time the ATO was granted for, and
4. The FIPS 199 classification of the system (LOW/MODERATE/HIGH).

Please note that all systems containing SPI are categorized at a minimum level of “moderate” under Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 199.

If No or In Process, provide your Initial Operating Capability (IOC) date.

The Authority to Operate (ATO) was granted on 1 January 2021 and expires on 6 August 2023. The FIPS 199 classification of the system is HIGH.
## Summary of Privacy Controls by Family

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Signature of Responsible Officials

The individuals below attest that the information provided in this Privacy Impact Assessment is true and accurate.

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APPENDIX A-6.1

Please provide a link to the notice or verbiage referred to in Section 6 (a notice may include a posted privacy policy, a Privacy Act notice on forms).

Link to the Privacy Policy found [https://www.va.gov/privacy-policy](https://www.va.gov/privacy-policy).