



**Department of
Veterans Affairs**

Helen Tierney

**Executive in Charge, Office of Management,
and Chief Financial Officer**

Washington, D.C.

Ms. Helen Tierney was designated as the Executive in Charge for the Office of Management, and VA Chief Financial Officer, on June 6, 2013. As the Executive in Charge, she is responsible for the overall budget and financial management of VA's \$160+ billion budget as well as the Department's performance management, business oversight, enterprise risk management, and asset enterprise management programs. Ms. Tierney joined VA in March 2011 as the Executive Director for Operations in the Office of Management. In this position she served as the deputy to the Executive in Charge.

From 2008 to 2011, Ms. Tierney served in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) as the Executive Director for Planning, Program Analysis, and Evaluation for the Office of Field Operations (OFO) in the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency. In this position she was responsible for OFO strategic planning, enterprise performance measures, national program analysis and evaluation, internal policy process management, manpower modeling, and the coordination of the self-inspection program and responses to audits. Additionally, she pioneered an innovative informatics program that identified real time performance issues at U.S. Ports of Entry.

Before her appointment in DHS, Ms. Tierney served in key Army civilian positions, culminating in leading business transformation programs on the Army Financial Management and Comptroller (FM&C) Secretariat staff. She started her career as an Army civilian in Heidelberg, Germany.

Ms. Tierney holds a BA degree in Government from Cornell University and a Master of Policy Management from Georgetown University. She is a 2007 Distinguished Graduate of the National Defense University, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, where she earned a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy.

She is the daughter of a WWII Veteran and the wife of an Army Veteran. Ms. Tierney is a member of the Association of the U.S. Army, the American Society of Military Comptrollers, the National Defense University Foundation, the Association for Federal Enterprise Risk Management, and the Senior Executive Association.

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