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Dr. Susan McCutcheon currently serves as the National Mental Health Director of Family Services, Women's Mental Health and Military Sexual Trauma for the Office of Mental Health Services and Suicide Prevention in the Department of Veterans Affairs. Dr. McCutcheon has national oversight for three distinct and significant mental health programs: Services for Veterans and their family members, mental health services for women Veterans and healthcare services for Veterans who have experienced Military Sexual Trauma or MST. She is responsible for developing clinical policies, providing national guidance and defining the vision of mental health programming for her areas of responsibility.

Prior to assuming this responsibility in VA Central Office in 2004, Dr. McCutcheon was the Director for Community Mental Health at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center in Ohio. She began her career with the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) in 1983 and has held various administrative and clinical positions of increasing complexity and responsibility during that time. Most of her VHA career has been in the field of mental health with a major emphasis on trauma, women's issues, serious mental illness and families.

Dr. McCutcheon has received graduate degrees in Psychiatric / Mental Health Nursing, Industrial / Organizational Psychology and Educational Administration. She was also selected as a Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellow and completed a three-year fellowship.