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Dr. Clancy is a highly experienced and nationally recognized physician executive. She has oversight of VHA's performance, quality, safety, risk management, systems engineering, auditing, oversight, ethics and accreditation programs. She leads more than 700 clinical and administrative professionals in the day-to-day operations of these key programmatic elements. Additionally, she serves in a direct consultative capacity to the Under Secretary for Health, serving as a national subject matter expert in her directorate. She works collaboratively, leading the strategic direction of the Veterans Health Administration. In her current position she works closely with Department leaders as well as Veterans Service Organizations, Congress and their constituents addressing the immediate and long term needs of our Nation's Veterans.

Prior to her current position, she served as the Interim Under Secretary for Health overseeing the nation's largest integrated health care system, as well as ten years as the Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Dr. Clancy, a general internist and health services researcher, is a graduate of Boston College and the University of Massachusetts Medical School. She holds an academic appointment at George Washington University School of Medicine; serves as Senior Associate Editor, Health Services Research and is a member of the Institute of Medicine. Dr. Clancy has contributed to eight academic text books and authored, co-authored and provided invited commentary in more than 225 scholarly journal articles. She served as member of the National Quality Forum, Board of Directors, as the Chair of the AQA Alliance and served on the Board of Governors, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute. An elected member of the National Academy of Medicine, Dr. Clancy was most recently presented with the 2014 Quality Champion Award, National Committee for Quality Assurance and was also named as Honorary Fellow, American Academy of Nursing.