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**Acting Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Support (19), Veterans Health Administration**

Ms. Deb Kramer was appointed as the Acting Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Support in March 2020. In this role she serves as the principal advisor to the Deputy Under Secretary for Health and the Under Secretary for Health and is responsible for leading VHA's Healthcare Environment and Facilities Programs, Procurement and Logistics, Healthcare Technology Management, Veterans Canteen Service, and the VA Logistics Redesign (VALOR) Program.



- Ms. Kramer joined the Department of Veterans Affairs in 2012. Her previous VA leadership roles include Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection; Veterans Health Administration Chief Audit Executive; Senior Advisor for Transformation for the Office of Enterprise Integration; Fusion Cell Director for the MyVA Task Force; and Outcome Executive for VA's Health Care High-Risk List Task Force. Before joining the Department of Veterans Affairs, Ms. Kramer was the Chief, Medical Systems Acquisition, at the Joint Program Executive Officer for Chemical and Biological Defense (JPEO-CBD), Department of Defense. In this role Ms. Kramer had oversight responsibility for the research development, acquisition, fielding and lifecycle support of biological, chemical and radiological medical countermeasures for the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

Ms. Kramer is a former active duty Army Medical Service Corps officer and served with the 85th Evacuation Hospital during the first Gulf War. She began her military career as an enlisted combat medic and operating room technician and earned her officers commission via Officers Candidate School while serving in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. Ms. Kramer has a number of awards to her credit, including the Bronze Star and Army Commanders Awards for Civilian Service. She was an Army medical logistician and Acquisition Corps member, federally certified in program management; information technology; acquisition logistics; and systems planning, research, development and engineering. She received her Masters of Science in Biotechnology Studies from the University of Maryland, University College; and Bachelor of Science in Biology from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.