



## **Catherine Cravens**

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Ms. Katie Cravens serves as the Chief of Staff in the Office of Information and Technology (OIT), where she oversees business operations, strategic communications, matters of legislative and public affairs, and VA information technology policy in fulfilling VA's mission to create the best experience for all Veterans.

Ms. Cravens began her Federal career with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality in the Center for Outcomes and Evidence as a Program Manager, and advanced to lead a multi-disciplinary team responsible for two major grants. As the co-lead for the Office of the Secretary's Patient Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation at the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), she co-managed a portfolio of over \$30 million in legislatively mandated funds from the Affordable Care Act of 2010 to build a data infrastructure for patient-centered outcomes research. Ms. Cravens' Federal career continued in HHS as the Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, where she managed operations for the Office of the Assistant Secretary and was responsible for the direction and oversight of all functions of the organizations, particularly legislative strategy, acquisitions, correspondence, ethics, and training. Most recently, Ms. Cravens served as the Director of Business Operations in VA's OIT.