



## **Department of Veterans Affairs**

### **Senior Leadership Biography**

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#### **Henry E. Bridges, Jr., MD**

##### **Senior Medical Officer**

##### **Office of Disability & Medical Assessment, VHA**

As the Senior Medical Officer, Dr. Bridges provides clinical oversight and leadership in the direction, oversight, and management of clinical initiatives, disability programs and services, projects, and other activities associated with VA's Compensation and Pension (C&P) and Disability Programs. He serves as the National Clinical Program Manager for Compensation and Pension. Dr. Bridges serves in a key DMA Leadership role, by leading, managing, and actively participating in national meetings with VHA and VBA program offices and Veteran Integrated Service Networks (VISN) C&P Leaders to provide input, guidance, and direction regarding DMA clinical operations and policies related to the performance of Compensation and Pension and other disability examinations. This includes, but is not limited to, serving as a senior medical subject matter expert representing DMA, assisting with key strategic planning efforts, development of weekly reports to DMA Leadership regarding key milestone achievements and progress related to DMA activities.

Dr. Bridges also serves as the primary clinical liaison with Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and the Board of Veterans Appeals for the management of requests for specialized medical opinions within the VHA system.



#### **CAREER CHRONOLOGY:**

02/2022 to Present	Senior Medical Officer, Office of Disability and Medical Assessment
10/2020 to 07/2023	Director, Compensation and Pension, James Haley VA Medical Center Tampa VA
06/2016 to Present	Staff Physician, James Haley VA Medical Center
2013 - 2016	Chief Medical Officer, Memorial Hospital of Martinsville and Henry County
2012 - 2013	President of Medical Staff, Memorial Hospital of Martinsville and Henry County
2009 - 2010	Chair, Department of Medicine, Memorial Hospital of Martinsville and Henry County
2008 - 2016	Medical Director, Wound Clinic/Therapy Clinic, Memorial Hospital of Martinsville and Henry County
2009 - 2016	Medical Director Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit, Danville Regional Medical Center
2009 - 2014	Medical Director, Wound Clinic, Danville Regional Medical Center
2013 - 2016	Medical Director, Intermediate Care Facility, Martinsville Piedmont Community Services
08/2007 – 05/2016	Private Practice, Southern Virginia Rehab Group LLC

#### **EDUCATION:**

Bachelor of Science in Biology, North Carolina Central University, May 1996  
Medical Degree, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, May 2001  
Residency in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, VCU, June 2005

#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS:**

Member, American College of Physician Executives  
Member, American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation