



Meet Melissa

As Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer for Cerner Government Services (CGS) Melissa Solito shares responsibility for the Functional, Strategy, and Advisory Services across all of Cerner's Federal Government Business Operations. Her team provides business development, deployment, sustainment, optimization and leadership for the largest Cerner client. Melissa's team is a multidisciplinary team of physician executives, nurses, pharmacists, revenue cycle professionals, project managers as well as team members dedicated to patient safety, quality, value, research and community care.

The two major programs Melissa's team supports are the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Electronic Medical Record Modernization (EHRM) Program and Department of Defense (DoD) Defense Health Systems Modernization (DHSM) Program. These two programs collectively will cover approximately 20 million beneficiaries and over 1500 sites of care. She is a Healthcare Information Technology (HIT) and Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE) influencer.

She positively impacts clients in innovation development, clinical pharmacy, nursing processes, and clinical documentation and workflows. Melissa develops strong partnerships and collaborates with clinical leaders to align their imperatives with the solutions and services that yields optimal workflows and excellence in care.

Leadership experience

Melissa joined Cerner in 1999 as a Clinical Analyst and has held various strategy and client leadership roles, including Knowledge Architect, Clinical Strategist and Healthcare Executive. She has proven leadership knowledge and ability and had many opportunities to lead alongside many aspects of Cerner's business and strategies throughout her tenure. Melissa has held previous roles in the nursing field as a registered nurse and has a ANCC Nursing Informatics Certification.

Accomplishments

During her time at Cerner, Melissa spent most of her early career partnering with clients to develop innovative solutions focused on quality, safety and evidenced based care. She has experience for identifying and driving clinical alignment and value initiatives for some of Cerner's largest clients, including Tenet Healthcare. She was also a member of Department of Defense's Defense Healthcare Management Systems Modernization procurement process, leading to the winning bid.

Melissa comes from a strong educational background and has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Nursing from William Jewell College and Executive Master's in Business Administration from Rockhurst University. She is board certified in nursing informatics and is a member of American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE) and Healthcare Information Management Systems Society (HIMSS). She attends yearly conferences in Critical Care, Healthcare, Information Technology and Healthcare Leadership along with presenting best practices in the workflows of clinicians and patient safety.