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Dr. Zephyrin is the Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Community Care. She assists in leading VA's network of federal, academic, and community providers for 1.5 million Veterans. She provides leadership in building VA's high performance network and in key areas including internal controls, governance, make-buy assessments, health care delivery optimization, and care integration.

Dr. Zephyrin is a board-certified physician with experience in health systems, health policy, and population health. Her work in health systems and healthcare delivery is focused on translating evidence based research into effective policy and practice, with the overall mission of ensuring high quality healthcare for vulnerable populations. Dr. Zephyrin has served as the first National Director of Reproductive Health in the Office of Women's Health Services. As the national Director of Reproductive Health she is responsible for leading systems change through innovative partnerships and leading the direction and development of new strategies, policies and initiatives to optimize reproductive health care delivery. She is considered a leading expert and strategist in health systems and women's health.

Dr. Zephyrin is an Assistant Clinical Professor at the New York University School of Medicine, Associate Faculty at NYU's College of Global Health, and provides clinical care to women Veterans at the New York Harbor Veterans Administration Health Care System. Previously, as a faculty member at Columbia University School of Medicine, she provided clinical care in underserved communities and led research addressing the risk benefit of steroid use in preterm labor. She has led global initiatives addressing health systems access for women in East Africa and South Africa.

Dr. Zephyrin was honored as a White House Fellow, an American Medical Association Foundation Leadership Awardee, a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader, a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar, and is a member of the Aspen Global Leadership Network. Dr. Zephyrin completed her post-doctoral training at Harvard's Integrated Residency Program in Obstetrics and Gynecology (Brigham and Women's Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital). She holds a BS in Biomedical Sciences from the City College of New York, an M.D. from the New York University School of Medicine, and an MPH and MBA from Johns Hopkins University.