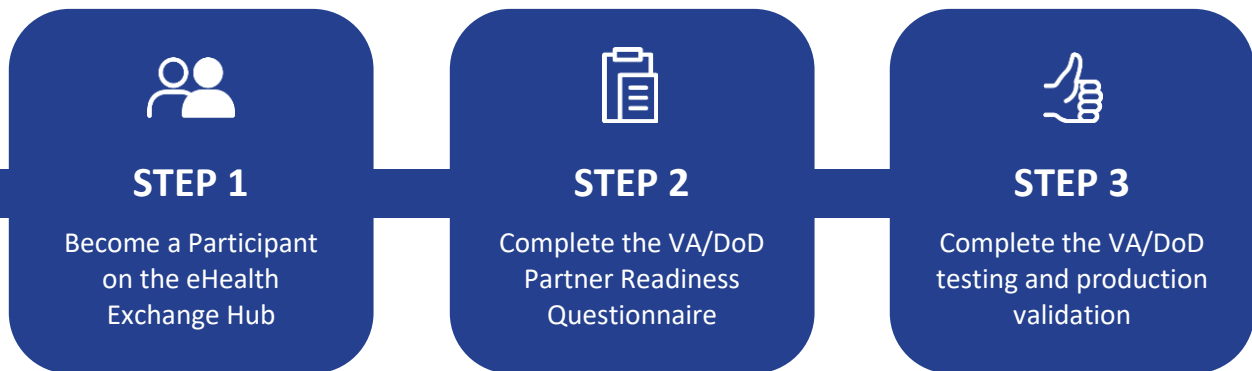


The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is building a national network that electronically shares patient health information, allowing VA, the Department of Defense (DoD), the Department of Homeland Security (U.S. Coast Guard), and other governmental agencies to be interoperable with external providers through the joint Health Information Exchange (joint HIE). VA Exchange enables bi-directional sharing of VA electronic health information between VA and participating external providers through query-based health information exchange.

Benefits of VA Exchange

- Provide VA, DoD, and participating external providers with a comprehensive summary of VA Patient health information
- Reduce duplicative medical testing and clinical errors when patients see health care providers from different practices or networks
- Share documents with patient information such as procedures, allergies, medications, problems, and immunizations (e.g., Continuity of Care, Encounter Summaries, etc.)

How Can an External Provider Begin Exchanging Documents with VA/DoD?



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