San Francisco VA Medical Center
Accomplishments

- **Home of Centers of Excellence f**or Epilepsy Treatment, Cardiac Surgery, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, HIV, Renal Dialysis, and Primary Care Education. Home to the Southwest Regional Epilepsy Center of Excellence.

- **Nationally recognized programs** include: Parkinson's Disease Research, Education and Clinical Center; Hepatitis C Research and Education Center; Mental Illness Research & Education Clinical Center, and VA Pacemaker and AICD Surveillance Program.

- **Number one research program** in the VA with over $79 million in expenditures for FY '13.

- **Highly successful partnership with City College of San Francisco** to provide mental health and VA outreach to Veterans on campus.

- **Developed a Veterans Justice Outreach Program,** including active outreach with San Francisco's Courts (Collaborative, Reentry, Drug, and Behavioral Health) and outreach with Marin County Jail. Collaborated with the San Francisco Superior Court, Department of Public Health, and community-based services agencies to open a Veterans Justice Court (VJC). Developed Justice Clinics at the VA Downtown Clinic, Santa Rosa VA Clinic and VA Medical Center to help reduce recidivism back into the criminal justice system and provide an effective alternative to incarceration.

- **Maintain an extensive tele-health program** providing consultative services for: arthritis, cardiology, chest/pulmonary, diabetes education, GI, general surgery, liver, mental health, metabolism, neurosurgery, rehab medicine, renal, vascular surgery, speech pathology, TBI, and nutrition. Have implemented tele-audiology at Eureka, Ukiah, and Clearlake VA Clinics.

- **Established a Neurointerventional Service** which conducts minimally invasive neurointerventional procedures, which are considered the highest standard of care for brain aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations, stroke, atherosclerosis and vascular and neoplastic disorders.

- **SFVAMC was awarded a Safe Haven** which will be located in San Francisco. The Safe Haven will provide 24-hour a day, 7-day a week, community-based early recovery model of supportive housing that serves hard-to-reach, hard-to-engage homeless individuals with serious mental illness and substance use disorders.

- First VA Medical Center to **perform MRI-guided deep brain stimulation surgery.**

- One of only a few VA Medical Centers **performing state-of-the-art transcatheter aortic valve replacement surgeries.**