



In accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum 11-35, *Eliminating Excess Conference Spending and Promoting Efficiency in Government*, issued September 21, 2011, OMB Memorandum 12-12, *Promoting Efficient Spending to Support Agency Operations*, dated May 11, 2012, and OMB Memorandum 17-08, *Amending OMB Memorandum M-12-12, Promoting Efficient Spending to Support Agency Operations*, dated November 25, 2016; the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) prepared the attached FY 2017 report on covered conference events over \$100,000. During FY 2017, VA incurred expenses of approximately \$29 million for the 99 covered conference events.

Continuous workforce training and development is absolutely critical to delivering the timely, quality VA care and services our Veterans have earned and deserve. Our senior leaders across the Department are focused on transforming procedures for conference and training events that build accountability at every step. VA has improved our procedures by implementing senior-level review of proposed budgets and expenditures, reviewing internal processes and controls, and maintaining strict oversight of all reportable conference expenses.

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Veterans Affairs FY2017 Sponsored Conferences in excess of \$100,000

Title	Total Costs	Location	Start Date	End Date	# VA Paid Travelers	Conference Description
Acquisition Workforce Innovation Symposium & National Veterans Small Business Engagement	\$ 3,251,374	Minneapolis, MN	10/30/2016	11/4/2016	4,281	Allowed VA to demonstrate the agency priority goal of providing "Access", promoting VOSB opportunities to meet the strategic objective of improving Veteran economic well-being.
2017 Acquisition Workforce Innovation Symposium	\$ 2,008,679	Nashville, TN	3/13/2017	3/16/2017	1,352	Offered formal educational sessions targeting the identified Federal acquisition functional and technical competency gaps.
Challenge 2017-1 (Denver)	\$ 1,112,961	Denver, CO	10/11/2016	11/18/2016	149	Provided training to new claims processors
Leadership VA Conference	\$ 965,396	Washington, DC	5/2/2016	11/18/2016	105	LVA is VA's premier leadership development program for high-performing GS 13s-15s and T38 equivalents designed to enhance OPM ECQ and leadership competency skill levels.
Financial Management Training Event	\$ 869,794	Nashville, TN	1/10/2017	1/13/2017	681	The event reinforced financial processes, increased employee knowledge, remediated audit findings, and supported Financial Management Business Transformation.
2017 National Summit on Women Veterans	\$ 864,990	Houston, TX	8/25/2017	8/26/2017	800	Provide women Veterans and the local/state/Federal/NGO Partners who serve them with information about the VA's benefits and services.
VA Basic Police Officer Course (VABPOC 1702)	\$ 704,795	North Little Rock, AR	10/24/2016	12/16/2016	75	Required for newly hired VA Police officers to receive certification
Senior Leader Annual Business Meeting August 2017 (54625/BIS4609)	\$ 695,340	Washington, DC	9/18/2017	9/19/2017	610	Improving access to VA Services to Veterans, service members and military families and acquiring understanding in support of the SECVA's priorities and modernization goals.
VA Basic Police Officer Course (VABPOC 1701)	\$ 693,463	North Little Rock, AR	10/10/2016	12/2/2016	76	8 week course required for newly hired VA Police officers to receive certification.
OPIA 2017 National Training Academy	\$ 667,691	Nashville, TN	8/7/2017	8/11/2017	375	More than 5,000 individual training hours completed, improving the training level of communicators and their ability to communicate to Veterans and families about benefits available.
VA Senior Leaders Mid-Year Meeting (54677 / BIS 4665)	\$ 502,052	Loudoun County, VA	4/25/2017	4/27/2017	474	Improving access to VA Services to Veterans, service members and military families.
VA/DoD Suicide Prevention Conference (55122/BIS4548)	\$ 489,080	Denver, CO	8/1/2017	8/4/2017	1,277	Improved the VHA service capability by enhancing understanding among staff & reinforcing the value of performance measurements through in person cooperation among colleagues.
Health Services Research and Development National Conference: Accelerating Innovation and Implementation in Health System Science	\$ 478,295	Arlington, VA	7/18/2017	7/20/2017	367	Conference provided a mission-critical link between VHA leaders/policymakers and researchers so that management informs research, and research, in turn, improves Veteran care.
Women's Health Mini-Residency Primary Care Providers (49819/BIS 2317)	\$ 466,711	Orlando, FL	5/23/2017	5/25/2017	320	Provided PC providers with the knowledge, physical examination, and critical thinking skills needed to provide high quality care to women Veterans.
Leaders Developing Leaders: Readjustment Counseling Service Team Leaders 2017 (45744/BIS 3077)	\$ 401,014	Loudoun County, VA	12/6/2016	12/8/2016	304	This conference introduced and began the implementation process for the updated RCS strategic plan that will focus on increasing access to Vet Center services.
EPMO Project Management Training Summit	\$ 381,813	Leesburg, VA	10/25/2016	10/27/2016	325	The PM Summit enabled PM's throughout EPMO to focus on enterprise alignment across each division of EPMO to set standard and strategic priorities and how to prepare for project implementation.

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Women's Mini-Health Residency Emergency care Providers (49820/BIS23180)	\$ 369,740	Orlando, FL	7/26/2017	7/28/2017	260	Provided EM providers & nurses and PC nurses with the knowledge, physical examination, and critical thinking skills needed to provide high quality care to Women Veterans.
Community Care Staff and Provider Training Conference (49927/BIS3699)	\$ 363,163	Orlando, FL	5/23/2017	5/24/2017	249	Equip participants to effectively manage available resources to provide Veterans timely access to high-quality care via the Choice Program.
VCLO/FCLO Training Conference (43611/BIS 2242)	\$ 360,959	Kansas City, MO	10/18/2016	10/20/2016	229	This conference will improve the VHA Service capability by enhancing capabilities among staff and reinforcing the value of performance measurements through in-person cooperation.
Veterans Service Center Managers (VSCM) and Quality Review Team (QRT) Coach Continuing Education	\$ 317,746	Louisville, KY	1/9/2017	1/13/2017	183	The purpose of this training is to identify, discuss, and improve quality of service to our customers.
National VHA Environmental Program Service Training Event (49026/BIS2503)	\$ 316,898	Charleston, SC	7/18/2017	7/20/2017	189	The training will improve the VHA service capability by enhancing knowledge among staff and reinforcing the value of performance measures through in-person cooperation among colleagues
FY17 Quality and Patient Safety Institute (54698/BIS4639)	\$ 304,319	Orlando, FL	9/18/2017	9/22/2017	137	The training provides and in-depth educational experience to create tomorrow's leadership in Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety for VA and the Nation.
VBA Executive Training Symposium San Diego	\$ 285,428	San Diego, CA	4/30/2017	5/5/2017	159	VBA Executive Training Symposium will provide enhanced training to identify, discuss and improve the quality of service for our customers.
Veterans Justice Programs National Training: Advancing VJP Specialist Skills to Meet the VHA Mission (48743/BIS2227)	\$ 284,347	Atlanta, GA	4/4/2017	4/6/2017	196	The purpose of this conference is to facilitate the current transformation of the Veterans Justice Programs (VJP) at the field level.
National Leadership Council Strategic Planning Summit (50328/BIS3792)	\$ 272,610	Crystal City, VA	6/20/2017	6/22/2017	96	VHA leaders develop and advance strategic goals and objectives for the organization to ensure that VHA continues to move forward meeting the needs of the Veterans we serve.
National Nurse Executive Conference (48050/BIS2658)	\$ 269,306	Leesburg, VA	3/27/2017	3/29/2017	183	The meeting will focus on nursing contributions and responsibilities for VHA strategic initiatives, Blueprint for Excellence and MyVA Access.
VA Police Chiefs Training Symposium FY 17	\$ 261,809	Little Rock, AR	5/22/2017	5/24/2017	227	The event is designed to deliver enhanced training to VA Police Chiefs.
VBA Director's Symposium	\$ 254,680	San Antonio, TX	10/17/2016	10/21/2016	107	Gained invaluable information from accredited sources and discussed new methodology for continued reduction of the claims backlog and techniques for improved Veteran service.
VSCM Training in Fiscal Year 2017	\$ 249,315	Indianapolis, IN	7/31/2017	8/4/2017	169	Provide training on quality service, improved methodologies for providing service, reducing the claims backlog, and observing and participating in new ideology and techniques for claim
VA Innovation Demo Day (55062/BIS5096)	\$ 236,171	Washington, DC	8/8/2017	8/10/2017	199	Allow senior leadership to review and share innovations tied to the Secretary's priorities of modernizing our systems, focusing resources more effectively, improving timelines of services, and suicide prevention.
Peer Support Specialist Training (48712/BIS3460)	\$ 235,943	Orlando, FL	8/1/2017	8/3/2017	203	The Peer Support Training further developed basic skills learned during cert training necessary to support VA's mission of being a Veteran-centric health care system.

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VA Innovators Network Accelerator Bootcamp	\$ 232,761	Washington, DC	3/28/2017	3/31/2017	154	Innovators Network seeks to feed the diffusion hub and encourage innovation at the front line throughout VA. The Accelerator Bootcamp prepares investees to meet program requirements.
2017 VHA-Academic Affiliate Contracting Forum (46309/BIS3187)	\$ 226,943	Nashville, TN	8/15/2017	8/17/2017	114	Enhanced awareness about contracting processes, procedures, and tools that will help make the process more efficient and easier for all parties
Veterans Crisis Line (VCL) New Employee (HSS Responder) Training - #3 (50020)	\$ 224,937	Atlanta, GA	10/17/2016	11/4/2016	90	The purpose of this event is to provide on the job training to new employees and provide them the tools to be successful in their new jobs.
Leadership VA (LVA) 2017 Session III (54740/BIS4528.5862)	\$ 220,253	Minneapolis, MN	9/11/2017	9/15/2017	93	The program assisted participants in developing and enhancing the leadership skills and competencies of VA high-performing leaders.
Leadership VA (LVA) 2017 - Session II (54739/BIS4528.5861)	\$ 219,833	Cincinnati, OH	7/17/2017	7/21/2017	86	Will improve the VHA service capability by enhancing aptitude among staff and reinforcing the value of contextual analyses through in-person cooperation among colleagues.
Mental health in PACT (48942/BIS2263)	\$ 213,344	Orlando, FL	9/19/2017	9/21/2017	192	Improved VHA service capability by enhancing motivation among staff & reinforcing the value of team facilitations through in person cooperation among colleagues.
State Veterans Home (SVH) Program Conference FY17 (45748/BIS2041)	\$ 213,198	Orlando, FL	8/22/2017	8/24/2017	170	Increase compliance to survey timelines outlined in VHA Handbook 1145.01 with the goal of accurate reporting and knowledge of the SVH survey process.
Best Liver Care Anywhere (52787/BIS4224)	\$ 206,804	Minneapolis, MN	9/13/2017	9/15/2017	135	Participants received education on latest trends in the VA and best practices within the community.
2016 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival	\$ 205,745	Jackson, NA	10/10/2016	10/17/2016	160	Direct involvement is necessary to teach Veterans new artistic skills and present arts interaction opportunities in a therapeutically focused environment.
Transitions Collaborative FY17 - Session 1 (52393/BIS 4163.5079)	\$ 201,643	Orlando, FL	5/2/2017	5/4/2017	148	Effective use of resources to increase inpatient capacity meeting both scheduled and unscheduled demand.
National Blind Rehabilitation Service Conference (52904/BIS2142)	\$ 199,624	Jacksonville, FL	8/15/2017	8/17/2017	181	Enables blind rehabilitation specialists to plan and implement programs of care that assist Service members and Veterans in developing the skills needed for personal independence.
71st Annual VAVS National Advisory Committee Meeting and Conference (42234/BIS3400)	\$ 197,626	Tampa, FL	4/18/2017	4/21/2017	300	The VAVS NAC is the advising body to the Secretary through the Under Secretary for health on all matters related to VAVS operations, policy and programs in all VHA facilities.
Leadership VA (LVA) 2017 – Session I (54737/BIS4528.5860)	\$ 193,506	Loudoun County, VA	6/19/2017	6/23/2017	86	Improve the VHA service capability by enhancing aptitude among staff and reinforce the value of contextual analysis.
VHA GEMS Conference (48044/BIS2332)	\$ 185,803	Orlando, FL	4/18/2017	4/20/2017	139	Existing GEMS training programs have proven beneficial in reducing compliance actions and violations resulting from federal, state, and local environmental compliance inspections.
2017 DBC Chairs Conference: Violence Risk Assessment Instrument (52718/BIS2259)	\$ 184,001	Phoenix, AZ	8/8/2017	8/10/2017	141	Implement the requirements of 38 USC1709 and Public Law 112-154 Section 106.
VHA National Nursing Staffing Methodology (48683 / BIS 2656)	\$ 180,182	Orlando, FL	6/6/2017	6/7/2017	164	Create at least one subject matter expert at every facility to be the facility level POC, share new staffing models of care, and deploy the staffing methodology throughout the VHA.
Strategic Leadership Course II- Strategic Thinking Cohort 27	\$ 179,752	Chapel Hill, NC	1/29/2017	2/3/2017	27	Provided methods and tools on critical thinking, strategic decision-making, and leading change. Supports strategic goal of improving business practices and VA transformation.

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2017 GEC Leads Conference: VA Leading the Nation in Elder Care (47830 / BIS 2084)	\$ 150,985	Orlando, FL	4/5/2017	4/6/2017	160	To increase participants knowledge and broaden dissemination of current Geriatrics and extended Care programs and innovations.
VA Gynecology Health System-Optimizing Access (52803/BIS2321)	\$ 147,759	Cincinnati, OH	8/1/2017	8/3/2017	104	Provide gynecologists with the necessary knowledge, skills and tools to develop high functioning gynecology programs, optimize access and delivery of gynecology care to women Veterans.
VBA FIELD LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2017 SESSION 6	\$ 147,569	Nashville, TN	8/28/2017	9/1/2017	37	Participants learned operations management techniques necessary to meet SECVA goals to reduce the backlog for processing disability claims.
Patient Safety Improvement 101 (49904/BIS 2609.3604)	\$ 144,669	Orlando, FL	3/6/2017	3/9/2017	96	The goal of the Patient Safety conference is to prevent adverse events occurring throughout the Veteran's Health Administration (VHA).
VHA National Facility Chief of Staff Conference (49117/BIS3567)	\$ 143,228	Leesburg, VA	3/28/2017	3/29/2017	113	Nurse Executives and Chief of Staff will have an opportunity to learn from VA and VHA leadership about rapidly changing models of care, strategic direction, care in the community, access, legislative initiatives, and budget changes.
Federal Advanced Amputation Skills Training (51890/BIS2402)	\$ 140,722	Washington, DC	7/11/2017	7/13/2017	226	Interdisciplinary teams promote the health, independence and quality of life for Service members and Veterans with amputations.
Goals of Care Conversations Intensive Leadership Train-the-Trainer Program for Physicians, APRNs, and PA	\$ 139,515	Minneapolis, MN	1/24/2017	1/27/2017	42	This promotes patient-centered care by ensuring VA providers are trained in conducting high-quality conversations with seriously ill Veterans about their values, goals, & preferences.
VBA FIELD LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2017 SESSION 7	\$ 139,233	Denver, CO	9/10/2017	9/15/2017	24	Participants learned operations management techniques necessary to meet SECVA goals to reduce the backlog for processing disability claims.
(NWQ Session 1) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 1	\$ 137,509	St. Paul, MN	11/14/2016	11/17/2016	107	This training provided in-depth learning opportunities on how to manage RO workload in the NWQ, and allowed for hands-on experience in writing / reviewing local rules.
(NWQ Session 7) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 7	\$ 137,498	St. Paul, MN	3/6/2017	3/9/2017	95	Improved supervisors' knowledge of workload management (WM) in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM processes.
VBA Reasonable Accommodation Training Symposium	\$ 137,256	Orlando, FL	9/17/2017	9/23/2017	85	Administration staff provided Reasonable Accommodation training on laws, regulations and procedures to comply with Executive Order 13164 and Americans with Disability Act.
FY17 Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP/Group A) Week 3 (49036/BIS 3170)	\$ 136,515	Kansas City, MO	7/24/2017	7/28/2017	84	Improve the VHA service capability by enhancing capabilities among staff and reinforcing the value of advanced analytics through in-person cooperation among colleagues.
VA Voices National Coach and Faculty Training Conference-Session 2 (51537/BIS2301.4703)	\$ 134,583	Orlando, FL	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	107	A workforce of engaged VHA employees who develop trusted relationship with Veterans focused on improving their health, healthcare and what matters to them in their lives.
(NWQ Session 10) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 10	\$ 134,490	St. Paul, MN	4/17/2017	4/20/2017	106	Improved supervisors' knowledge of WM in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM practices.
Veterans Crisis Line (VCL) New Employee (HSS Responder) Training #5 (50240)	\$ 133,596	Atlanta, GA	11/14/2016	12/2/2016	33	The purpose of this event is to provide on the job training to new employees and provide them the tools to be successful in their new jobs.

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VBA HRCs & Liaisons Training SESSION 4	\$ 132,352	St. Charles, MO	9/25/2017	9/29/2017	108	The symposium provided VBA Human Resources practitioners and liaisons with the necessary tools to enhance and facilitate development of efficient HR practices throughout VBA.
VBA FIELD LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2017 SESSION #2	\$ 129,888	Denver, CO	7/10/2017	7/14/2017	18	Participants learned operations management techniques necessary to meet SECVA goals to reduce the backlog for processing disability claims.
FY 17 VR&E Officer's Technical Training Conference	\$ 129,634	St. Paul, MN	6/11/2017	6/15/2017	81	Supports Transformation Phase II Transition into a digital environment. Received training on new and updated policies, new systems, and procedures for transformation.
Annual Assistive Technology Hands on Conference (52336/BIS2407)	\$ 129,392	Orlando, FL	6/20/2017	6/22/2017	162	This conference assisted in expanding opportunities for those with disabilities to participate in their communities and in the workplace.
VBA HRCs & Liaisons Training SESSION 2	\$ 128,986	St. Charles, MO	8/28/2017	9/1/2017	98	The symposium will provided VBA Human Resources practitioners and liaisons with the necessary tools to enhance and facilitate development of efficient HR practices throughout VBA.
FY 17 Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP/Group B) Week 3 (49039/ BIS 3171)	\$ 128,843	Kansas City, MO	9/25/2017	9/29/2017	83	Attendees participated in a variety of learning activities to reinforce adaptive leadership skills, strategic negotiations, dealing with the media, and building strategic alliances.
VBA FIELD LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2017	\$ 128,769	St. Louis, MO	6/26/2017	6/30/2017	26	Participants learned operations management techniques necessary to meet SECVA goals to reduce the backlog for processing disability claims.
FY17 Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP/ Grp A) Week 1 (48952/ BIS 3166)	\$ 126,916	Kansas City, MO	2/27/2017	3/3/2017	83	Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP) is to enhance the leadership skills of middle managers as they prepare for positions of higher responsibility.
FY17 Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP/Group B) Week 2 (49035/ BIS 3169)	\$ 124,705	Ashburn, VA	6/26/2017	6/30/2017	78	The training will improve the VHA service capability by enhancing capabilities among staff and reinforcing the value of advanced analytics through in-person cooperation among colleagues.
Field Health Informatics Council Symposium FY17 (50432/BIS3867)	\$ 124,512	Salt Lake City, UT	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	100	This event provided a forum for leadership to showcase the role of analytics and informatics in the support of healthcare.
FY17 Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP/Grp B) Week 1 (48955/BIS 3167)	\$ 124,334	Kansas City, MO	4/10/2017	4/14/2017	79	Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP) is to enhance the leadership skills of middle managers as they prepare for positions of higher responsibility.
(NWQ Session 2) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 2	\$ 123,907	Saint Paul, MN	12/6/2016	12/9/2016	106	This training provided in-depth learning opportunities on how to manage RO workload in the NWQ, and allowed for hands-on experience in creating / writing / editing local routing rules.
FY17 Center of Excellence in Primary Care Education (49911 - BIS 2715)	\$ 122,826	San Diego, CA	4/25/2017	4/27/2017	102	Helped prepare graduates of health professional programs to work in & lead patient-centered professional teams.
(NWQ Session 9) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 9	\$ 122,790	St. Paul, MN	4/10/2017	4/13/2017	98	Improved supervisors' knowledge of workload management (WM) in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM practices.

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Patient Safety 2017:Developing Leaders in Patient Safety Training (50755/BIS3920)	\$ 121,649	Orlando, FL	8/7/2017	8/10/2017	81	To prepare fellows for immediate involvement in patient safety problem solving; to both learn from and be supportive of Patient Safety Managers and Officers, and Staff.
VR&E New Counselor Training 2017	\$ 121,288	Washington, DC	9/25/2017	9/29/2017	58	The conference enhances the skill sets and day-to-day operations of VR&E sites and services, including VetSuccess on Campus and Integrated Disability Evaluation System sites.
VA Voices National Coach and Faculty Training Conference (45874/BIS 2301)	\$ 120,960	Orlando, FL	1/4/2017	1/6/2017	101	A workforce of engaged VHA employees who develop trusted relationship with Veterans focused on improving their health, healthcare and what matters to them in their lives.
VBA FIELD LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2017 SESSION 4	\$ 120,476	Nashville, TN	7/24/2017	7/28/2017	18	Participants learned operations management techniques necessary to meet SECVA goals to reduce the backlog for processing disability claims.
VBA HRCs & Liaisons Training	\$ 119,867	St. Charles, MO	8/13/2017	8/19/2017	85	The symposium will provided VBA Human Resources practitioners and liaisons with the necessary tools to enhance and facilitate development of efficient HR practices throughout VBA.
VBA FIELD LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2017 SESSION 3	\$ 119,424	Phoenix, AZ	7/17/2017	7/21/2017	17	Participants learned operations management techniques necessary to meet SECVA goals to reduce the backlog for processing disability claims.
Public Law Script Processing Event at Financial Services Center (FSC) - Austin, TX (50013)	\$ 119,272	Austin, TX	10/17/2016	10/28/2016	39	Back pay of employees that were deserved the pay advances to the mission of positive attitudes of the employees.
(NWQ Session 5) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 5	\$ 118,048	St. Paul, MN	2/6/2017	2/9/2017	91	Improved supervisors' knowledge of WM in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM practices.
VBA HRCs & Liaisons Training SESSION 3	\$ 117,547	St. Charles, MO	9/11/2017	9/15/2017	92	The symposium provided VBA Human Resources practitioners and liaisons with the necessary tools to enhance and facilitate development of efficient HR practices throughout VBA.
FY17 Health Care Leadership Development Program (HCLDP/Group A) Week 2 (49010/ BIS 3168)	\$ 117,075	Loudoun County, VA	5/22/2017	5/26/2017	77	Enhances capabilities among staff and reinforces the value of analytics through in-person cooperation among colleagues.
(NWQ Session 3) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 3	\$ 116,755	St. Paul, MN	1/9/2017	1/12/2017	96	Improved supervisors' knowledge of WM in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM practices.
ITOPS Senior Leadership Conference	\$ 115,498	Baltimore, MD	1/9/2017	1/13/2017	95	SecVA's Leaders Developing Leaders (LDL) cascading; aligned their part of the VA enterprise with the SecVA's vision and VA goals and objectives; Collaboration and team work with other Leaders in the Field.
PMDB Trainer Recalibration Conference (52620/BIS2258)	\$ 115,214	Albany, NY	6/26/2017	6/30/2017	79	To certify and recertify Prevention and Management of Disruptive Behavior (PMDB) Master Trainers. PMDB is a medical safety program designed to train all hospital staff (clinical and non-clinical) to address disruptive and violent patients.
Leadership and Organizational Development (LEAD 2017-1)	\$ 112,626	Nashville, TN	11/14/2016	11/18/2016	87	Leadership training for high-performing GS-9 through GS-12 VBA employees.
FY17 VISN21 Strategic Planning Summit (45966/BIS3138)	\$ 112,606	Las Vegas, NV	9/12/2017	9/14/2017	119	The face to face summit helped VISN 21 and its components Health Care System Clarify and coordinate future requirements that VHA is promoting in employees and stakeholders.

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(NWQ Session 6) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 6	\$ 112,578	St. Paul, MN	2/13/2017	2/14/2017	82	Improved supervisors' knowledge of WM in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM principles.
(NWQ Session 8) National Work Queue Workload Management Leadership Training - Session 8	\$ 107,171	St. Paul, MN	3/13/2017	3/16/2017	80	Improved supervisors' knowledge of workload management (WM) in the new claims processing environment, and helped field leaders accomplish VA's work through principled application of sound WM practices.
National Anesthesia Chiefs Leadership Conference - FY17 (45625/BIS 1911)	\$ 104,236	Arlington, VA	5/2/2017	5/4/2017	76	This training conference provided an interactive learning session updating VA Anesthesiology clinical leadership on new trends, best practices as well as current programs.
Senior Executive Leadership Course I- Cohort 26	\$ 104,232	Chapel Hill, NC	10/16/2016	10/21/2016	18	Provided methods and tools on critical thinking, strategic decision making, and leading change. Supports strategic goal of improving practices and VA transformation.
Diffusion of Excellence Summit #3 (55061/BIS5095)	\$ 102,299	Washington, DC	8/8/2017	8/11/2017	88	The conference supported VHA Strategic Priority to identify & diffuse best practices, and several of the Secretary's Priorities including suicide prevention and improving timeliness.
Continuing the Mission: Successful Supervision of Peer Support Workforce (49125/BIS2789)	\$ 101,968	St. Louis, MO	8/22/2017	8/24/2017	89	This conference developed supervisory skills necessary to ensure the morale and success of Peer Specialist also Veteran employee that services other Veterans throughout recovery.
VHA NExT 2017(a) (49012/ BIS 3324)	\$ 100,154	Washington, DC	4/24/2017	4/28/2017	76	Enhanced knowledge among staff and reinforced the value of executive governance through in-person cooperation among colleagues.