

**You are now
part of an
exciting new
program
that will help
transition
rural Veterans
back into their
community.**

*"This is the first time I have
felt that all ends are tied
when I returned home after
having a procedure,
thank you!"*

- Discharged Veteran

Transitions
Nurse Program (TNP)
Hospital Guide



**We look forward to working
with you in implementing
this program at your site.**

VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

Did you know?

5.2 million Veterans live in rural communities across the United States.

These Veterans are commonly transferred to tertiary VA hospitals for care, but experience barriers to safely returning home.

The Transitions Nurse can help rural Veterans have a safer transition back home.



The Transitions Nurse follows a four step process at the VA Hospital:

- 1.** Preparing the patient for discharge and Obtains a follow up appointment with their PACT within 14 days of discharge.
- 2.** Nurse informs PACT clinic of post discharge needs and follow up recommendations via encrypted electronic communication
- 3.** Carrying out a follow up post discharge call to the patient (within 48 hours).
- 4.** Engaging with the rural PCP and Pact RN to ensure continuity of care and information exchange.

The Transitions Nurse contact number at your site is: