

Notes:

- VHA provides the following types of healthcare:
Primary, Acute, Long-term, Urgent, and National Emergency
- Healthcare is provided in the following settings:
E-Care
Home Care
Home Telehealth
Outpatient
Referral
Local Telehealth
Day Treatment
Inpatient
Nursing Home
Long Term Care
Domiciliary
Hospice
- VHA has many specialized care programs including:
Blind Rehabilitation
Environmental Agents
HIV/AIDS
Kidney Diseases
Woman Veterans
Post Traumatic Stress
Alcohol & Drug Dependency
Compensated Work Therapy
Prosthetic & Sensory Aids
Readjustment Counseling
Medical Care for Dependents & Survivors
Spinal Cord Injury, Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
Homeless Veterans
Seriously Mentally Ill (SMI)
Gulf War Veterans (GWV)

Acronyms:
 CHAMPVA – Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs
 DoD – Department of Defense
 FOIA – Freedom of Information Act
 GWV – Gulf War Veterans
 HepC – Hepatitis C
 ID – Identification
 NDMS – National Disaster Management System
 PHM – Population Health Management
 SMI – Seriously Mentally Ill
 SSN – Social Security Number
 TBI – Traumatic Brain Injury

VHA's three lines of business: medical care, medical research, and medical education are in alignment with Office of National Coordinator Strategic Framework Goals [<http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/goals.html>]:

- Inform Clinicians;
- Interconnect Clinicians;
- Personalize Care; and
- Improve Population Health.

Also, VHA's three lines of business and functions that enable them are in alignment with Federal Enterprise Architecture Health Line of Business Sub-Functions:

- Access to Care;
- Population Health Management and Consumer Safety;
- Health Care Delivery Services;
- Health Care Research and Practitioner Education; and
- Health Care Administration.

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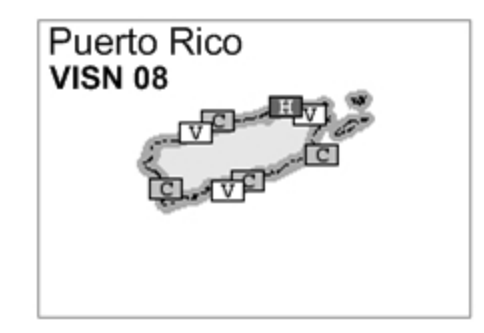
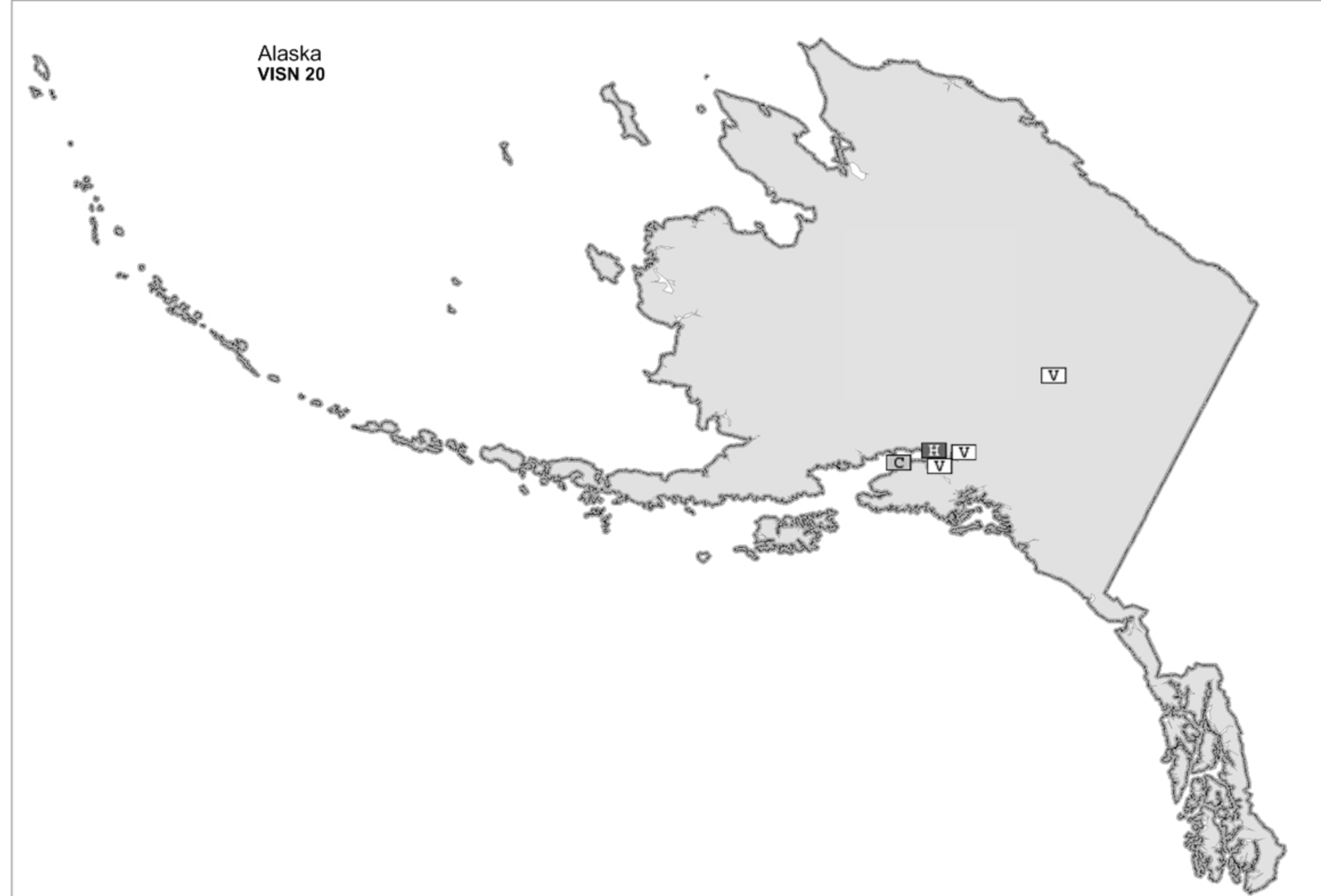
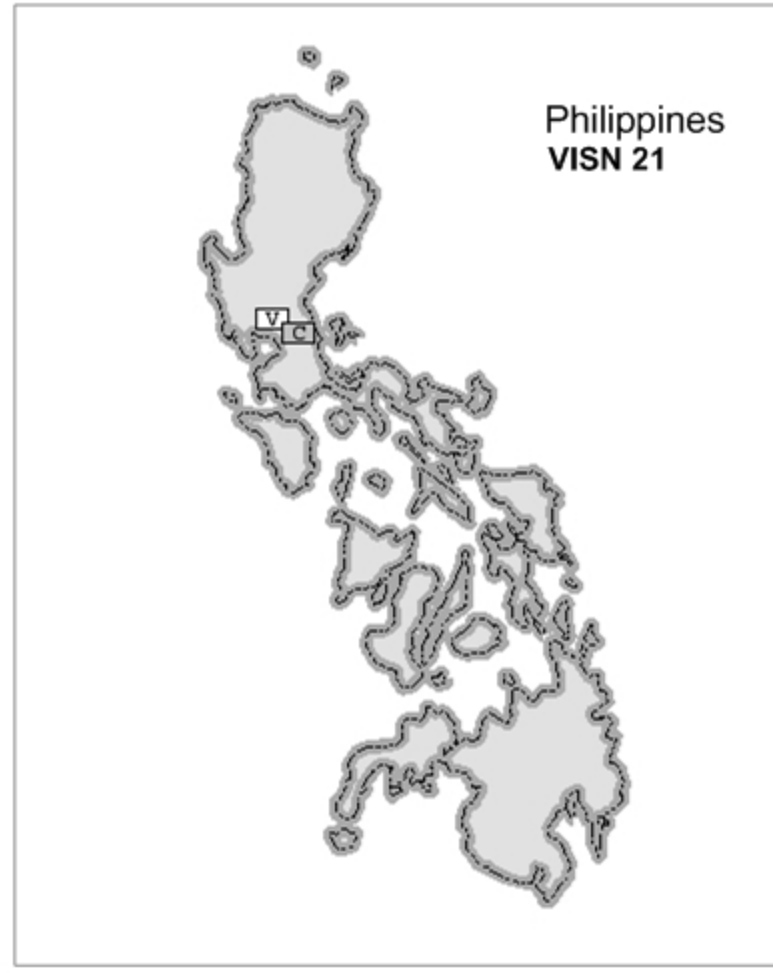
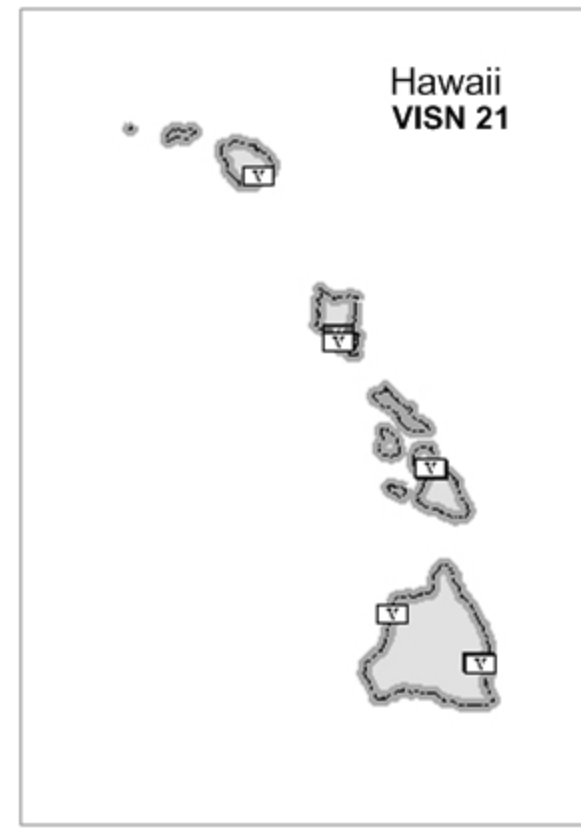
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



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Notes:
There are also many Home Telehealth points of care.

Acronyms and Abbreviations:
VISN – Veterans Integrated Service Network



Legend

-  Hospital
-  Vet Center
-  Clinic(s)
-  State Boundary
-  VISN Boundary

About this sheet:
 Domain: Business
 Sub-domain: Locations
 Level of detail: Logical
 Description:
 This sheet shows our geographic distribution of points of care. Future versions may add overlays of data centers.

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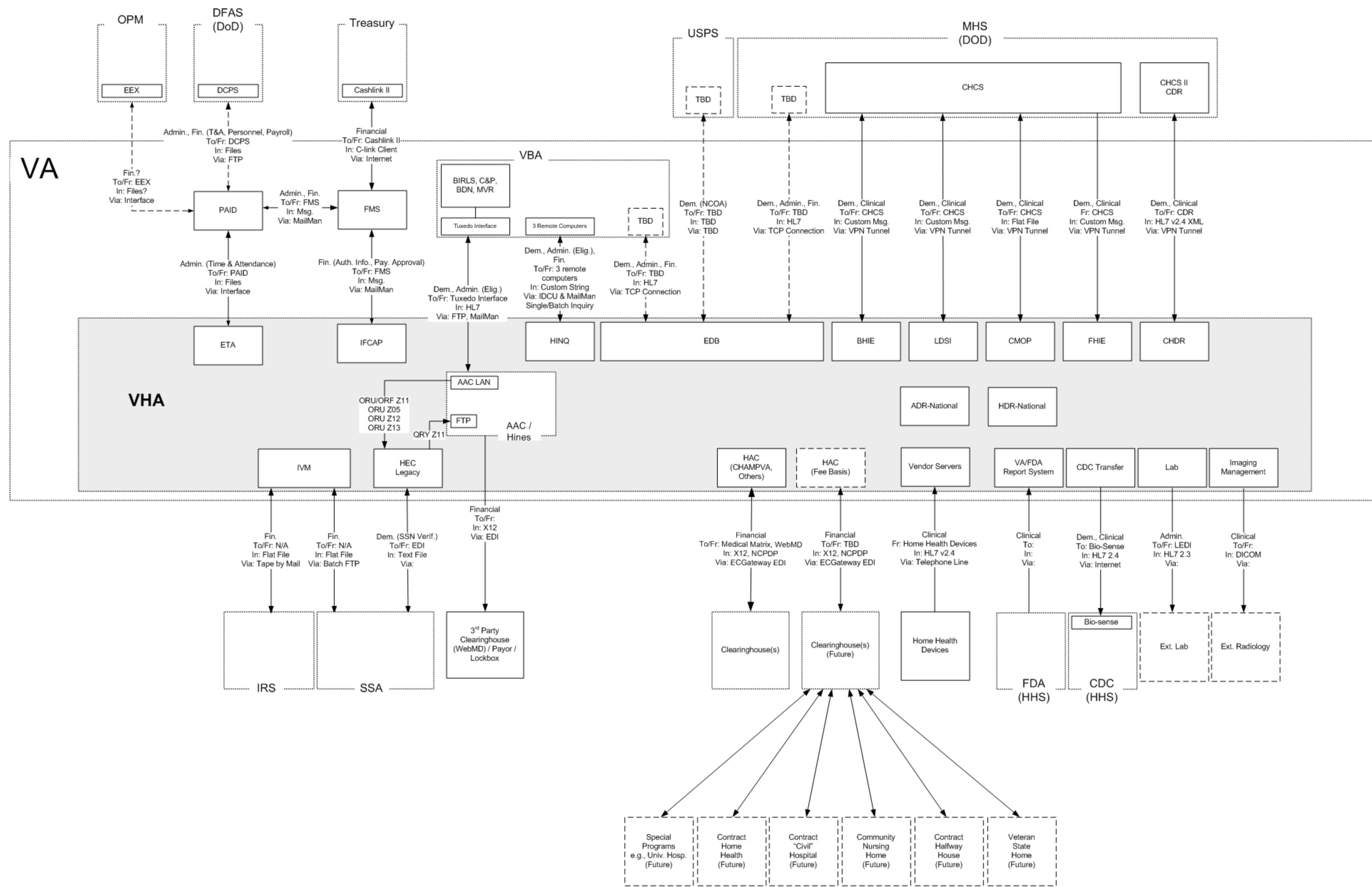
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Drawing:

Geographic Points of Care

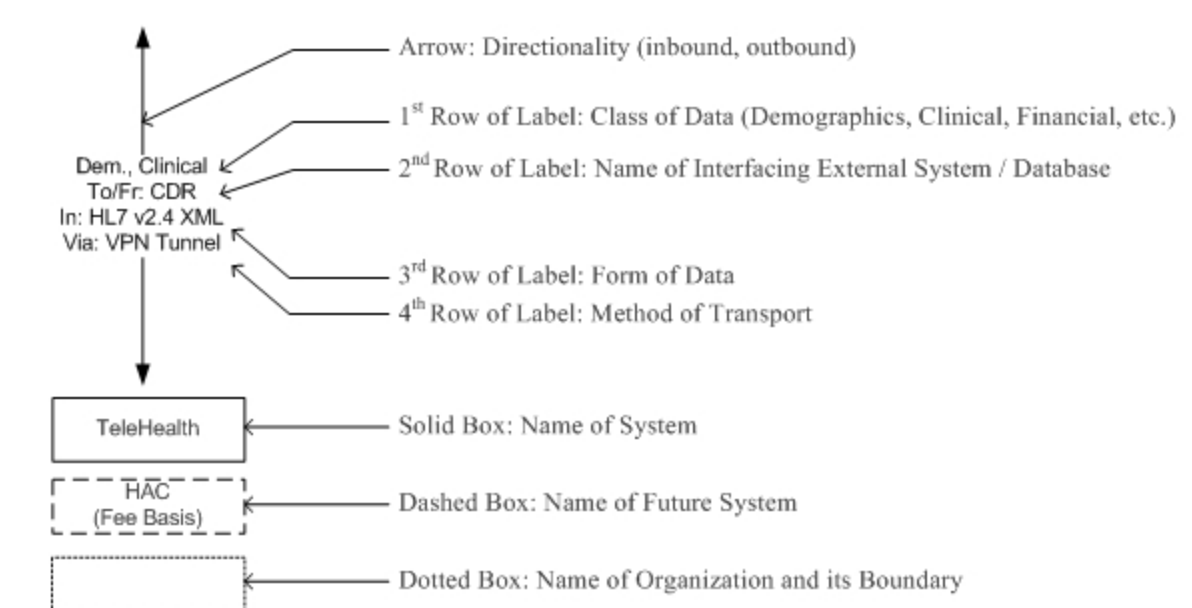
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- Acronyms and Abbreviations:**
- AAC – Austin Automation Center
 - ADR – Administrative Data Repository
 - BDN – Benefits Delivery Network Locator System
 - BHIE – Bidirectional Health Information Exchange
 - C&P – Compensation and Pension
 - CDC – Center for Disease Control and Prevention
 - CDR – Clinical Data Repository
 - CHAMPVA – Civilian Health and Medical Program Veterans Administration
 - CHCS – Composite Health Care System
 - CHDR – Clinical/Health Data Repository
 - CMOP – Consolidated Mail Outpatient Pharmacy Database
 - DCPS – Defense Civilian Pay System
 - Dem. – Demographics
 - DFAS – Defense Finance Accounting Service
 - DICOM – Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
 - DOD – Department of Defense
 - DSI – Data Sharing Interface (CHCS-Vista)
 - EDB – Enrollment Data Base
 - EDI – Electronic Data Interchange
 - EEX – Employee Express
 - Elig. – Eligibility
 - ETA – Enhanced Time and Attendance
 - FHIE – Federal Health Information Exchange
 - FDA – Food and Drug Administration
 - Fin. – Financial
 - FMS – Financial Management System
 - Fr – From
 - FTP – File Transfer Protocol
 - HAC – Health Administration Center
 - HDR – Health Data Repository
 - HEC – Health Eligibility Center
 - HHS – Department of Health and Human Services
 - HINQ – Hospital Inquiry
 - HL7 – Health Level 7
 - IVM – Income Verification Match
 - IDCU – Integrated Data Communications Utility
 - IFCAP – Integrated Funds Distribution, Control Point Activity, Accounting And Procurement
 - IRS – Internal Revenue Service
 - LAN – Local Area Network
 - LDSI – Laboratory Data Sharing and Interoperability
 - LEDI – Laboratory Electronic Data Interchange
 - Med. – Medical
 - Msg. – Message
 - MVR – Master Veteran Record
 - N/A – Not Applicable
 - NCOA – National Change of Address
 - OPM – Office of Personnel Management
 - ORF – Observational Results/Record Response
 - ORU – Observational Results/Unsolicited
 - ORY – Query
 - PAID – Personnel and Accounting Integrated Data System
 - SSA – Social Security Administration
 - SSN – Social Security Number
 - T&A – Time and Attendance
 - TBD – To be determined
 - TCP – Transmission Control Protocol
 - USPS – U. S. Postal Service
 - VBA – Veterans Benefits Administration
 - VHA – Veterans Health Administration
 - Verif. – Verification
 - VPN – Virtual Private Network
 - XML – eXtensible Markup Language

Legend



Direct co-dependencies:

- TSPR
- HealthPeople Logical Model
- External VHA System Communication Spreadsheets

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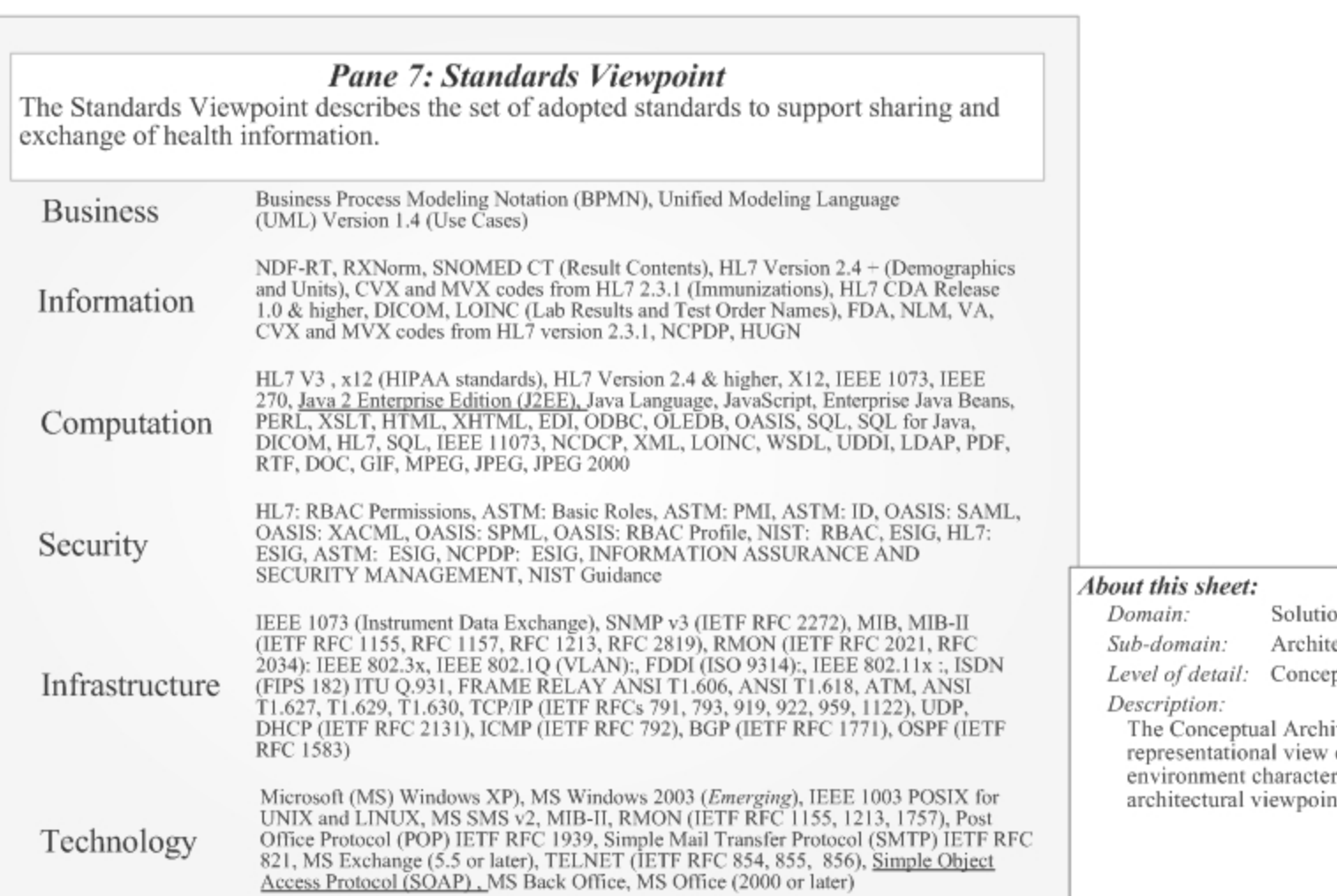
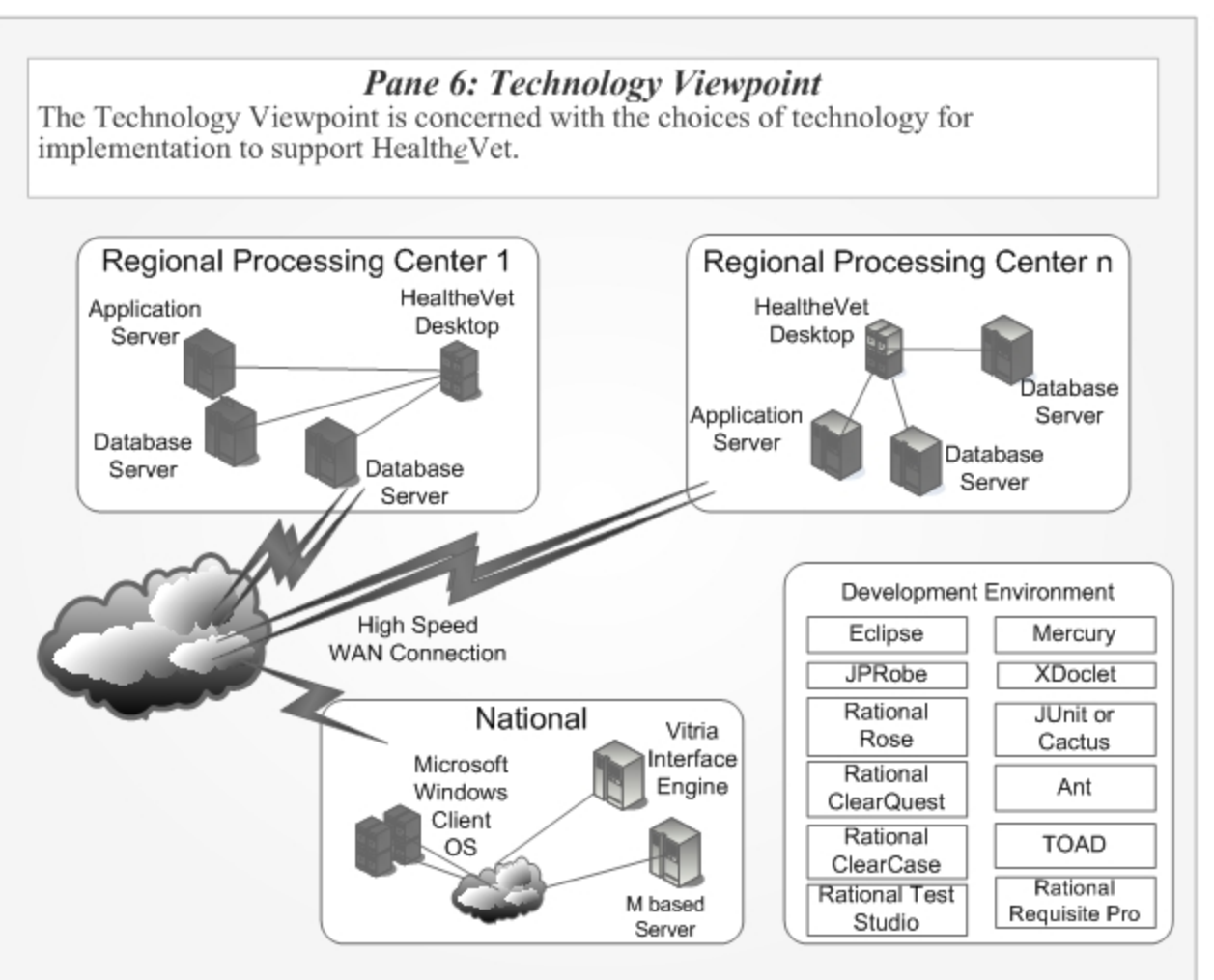
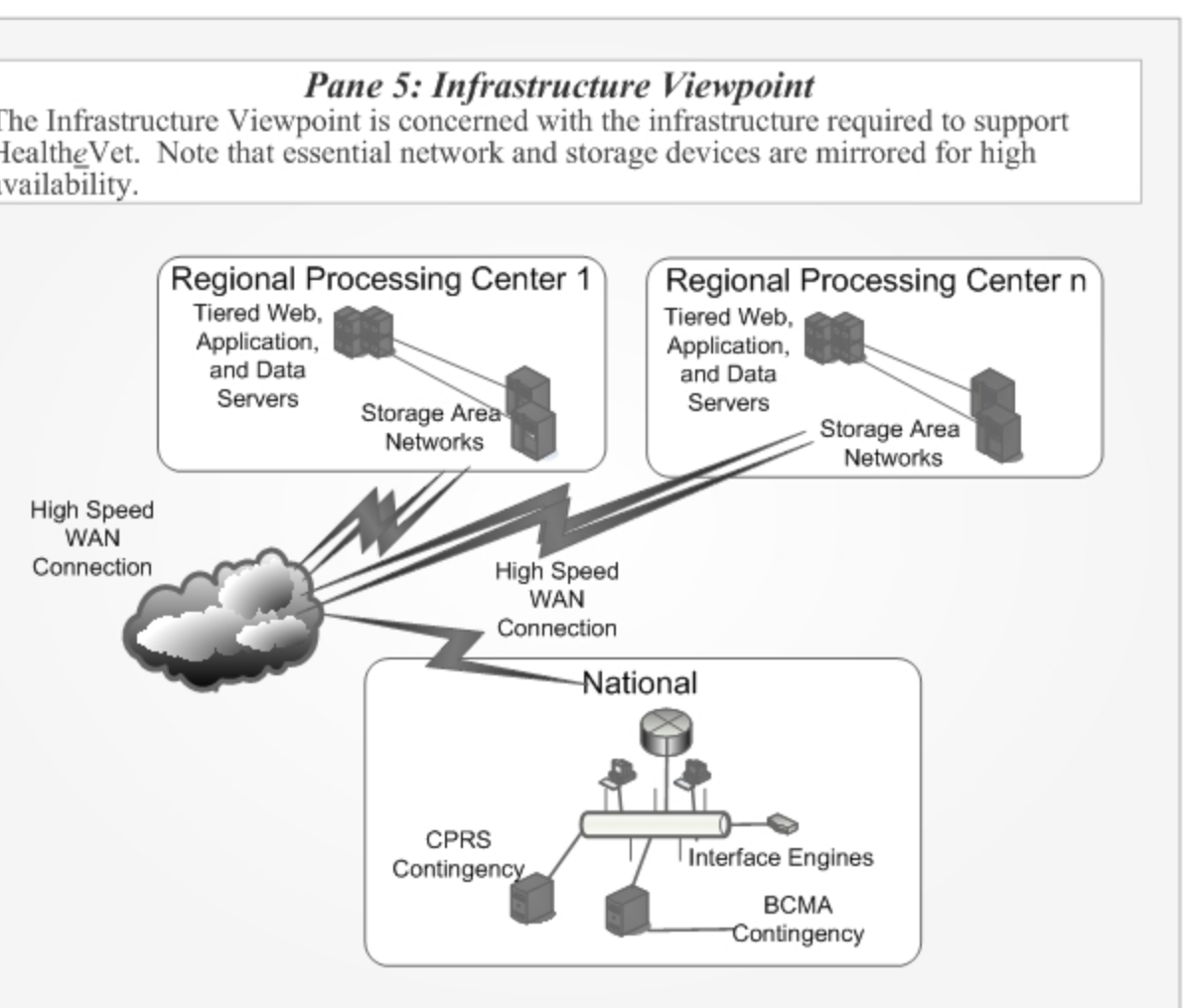
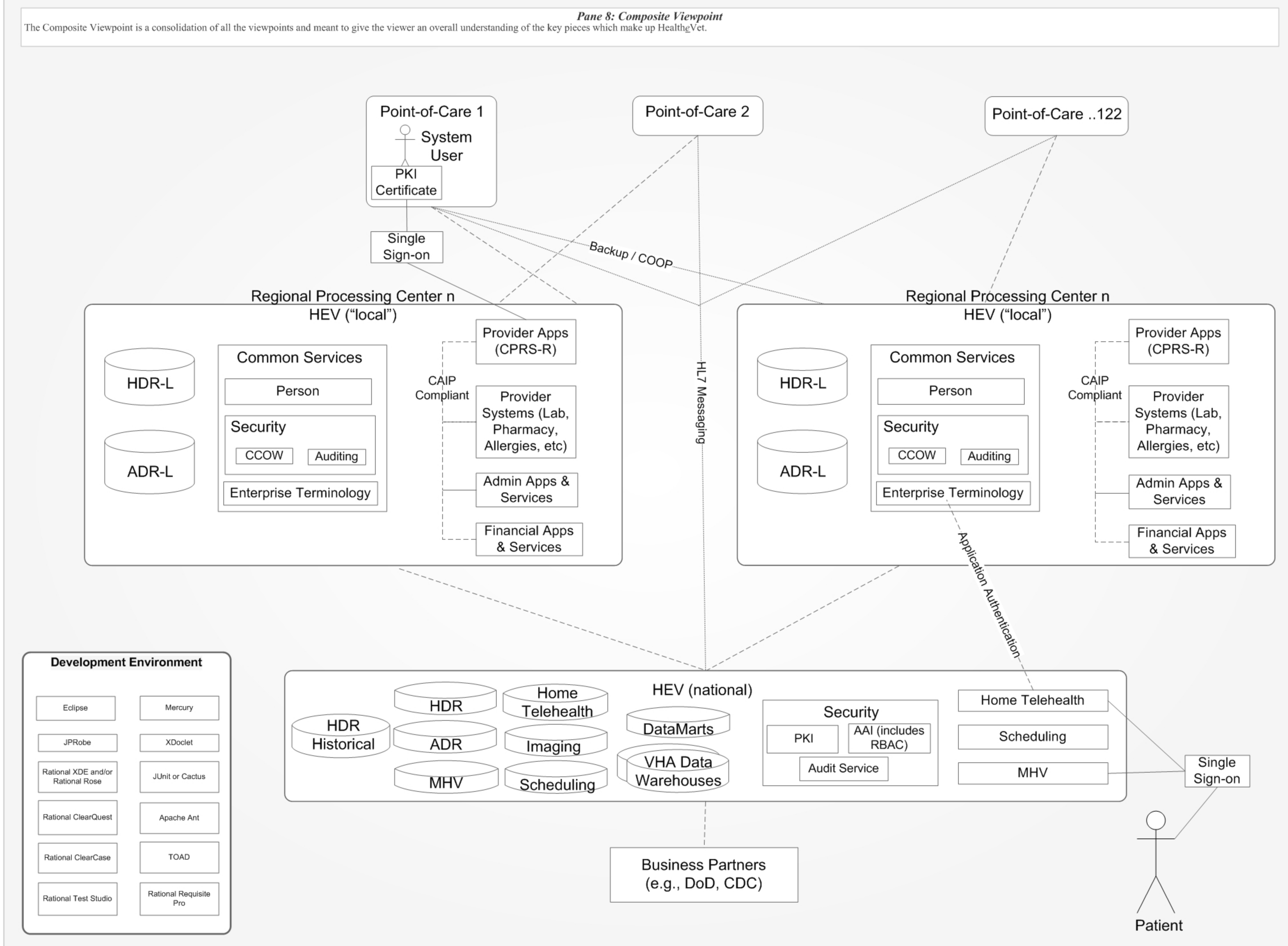
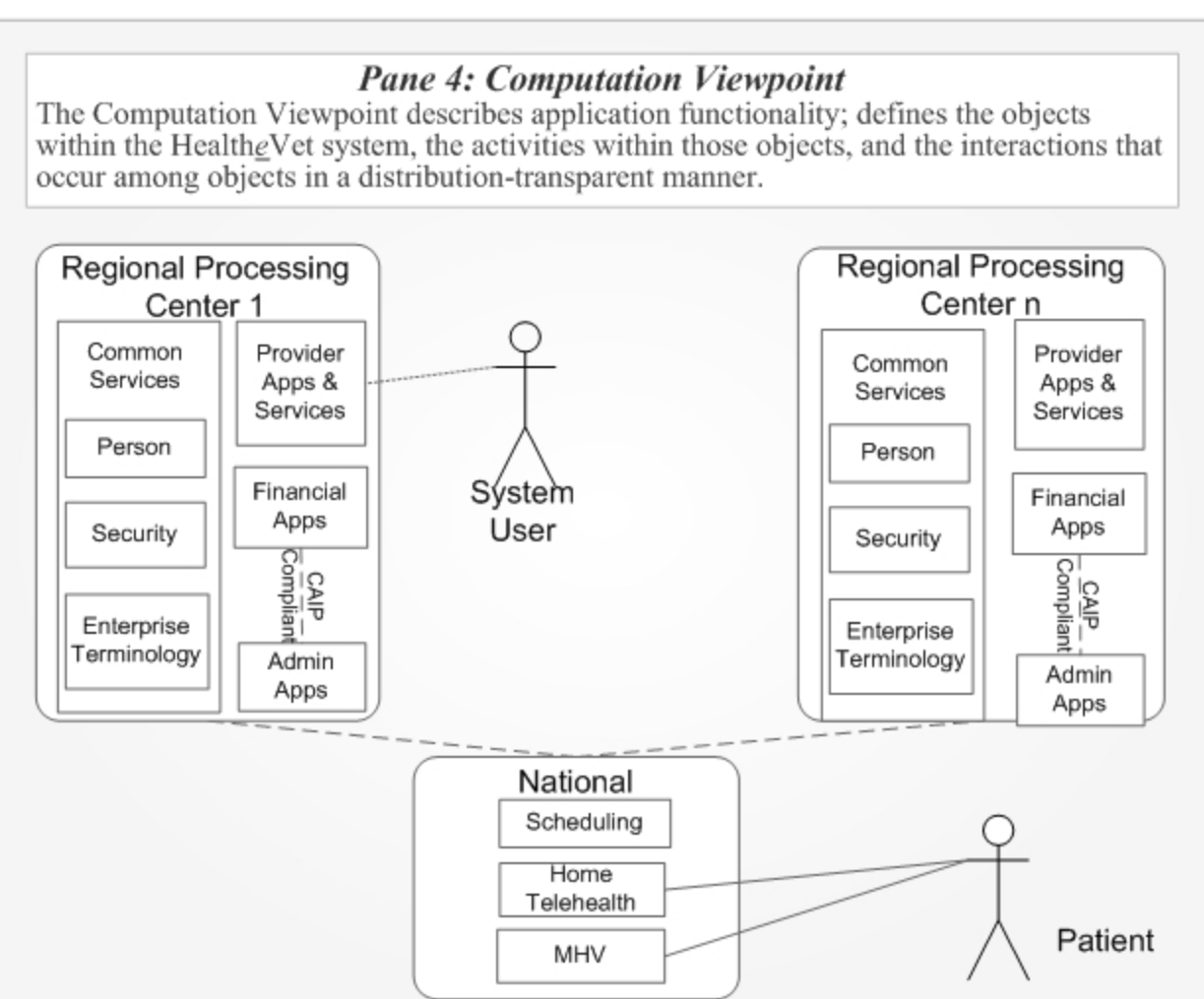
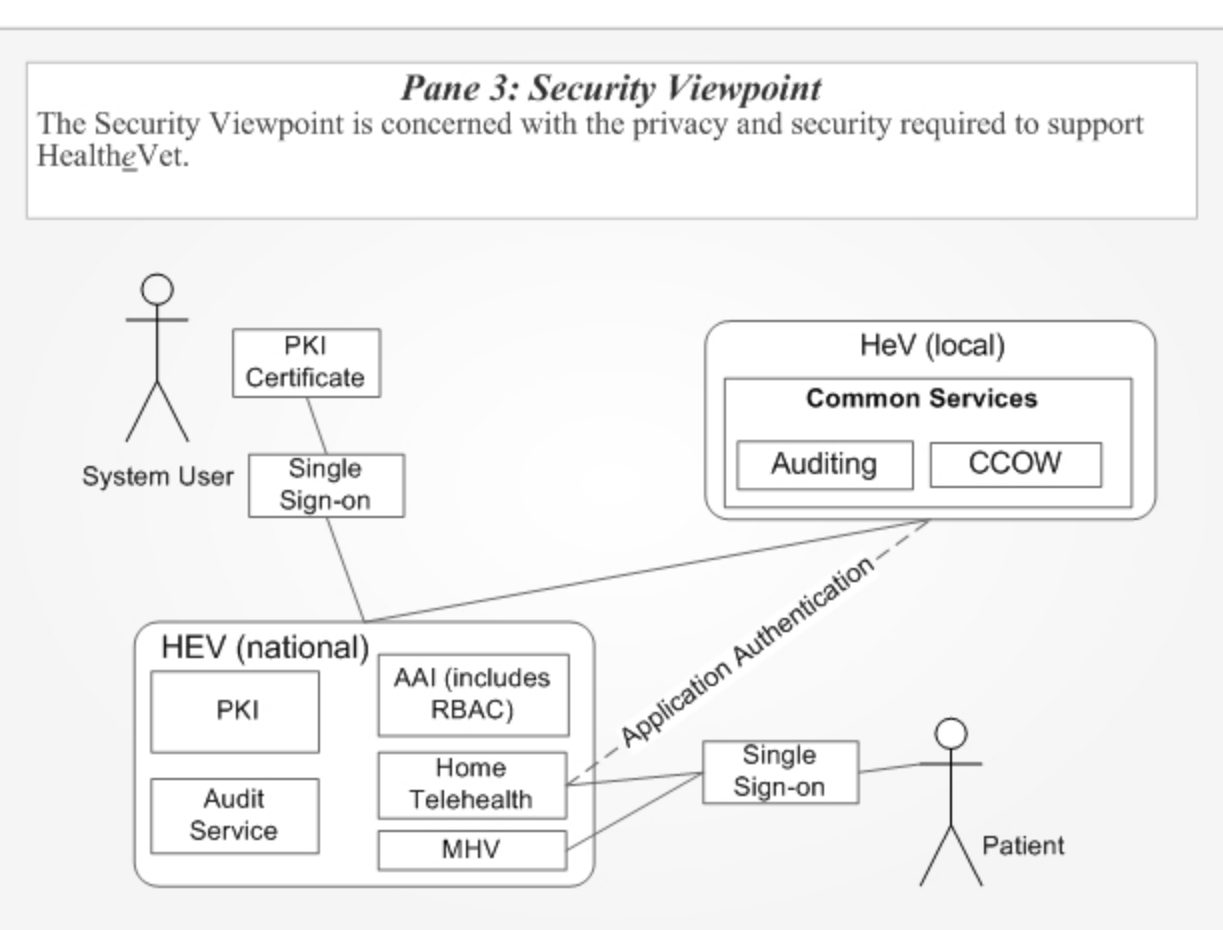
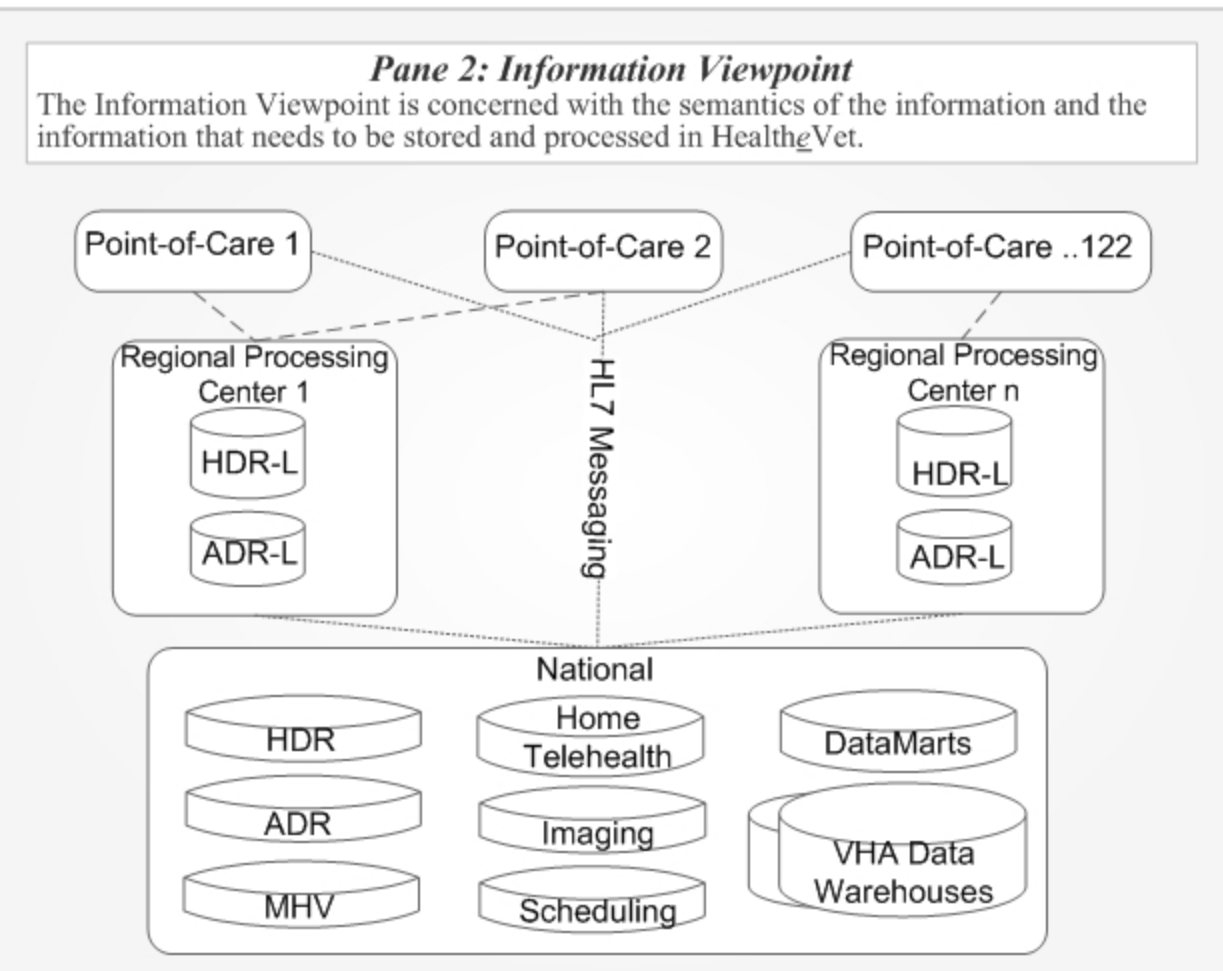
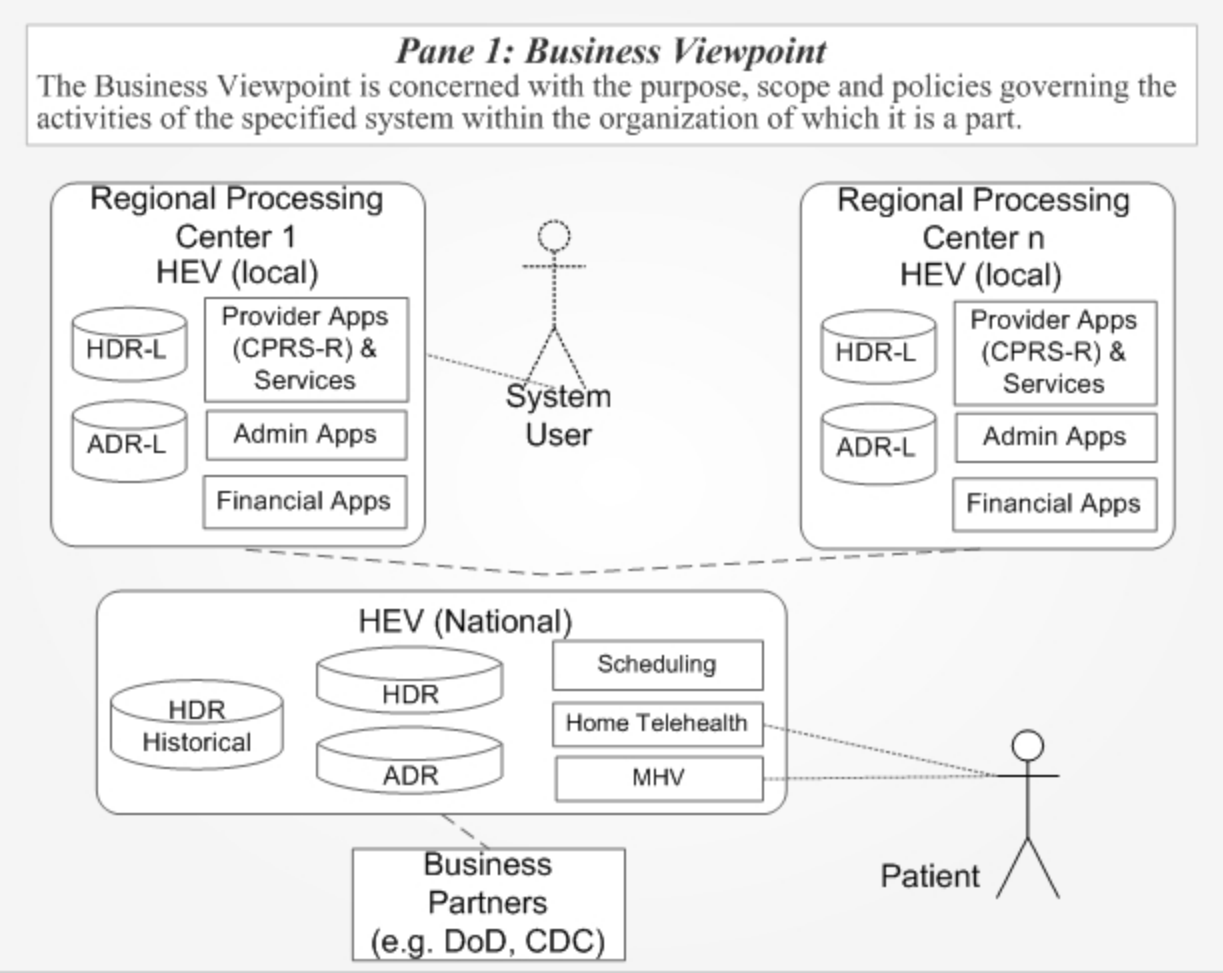
- Domain: Business
- Sub-domain: Partners
- Level of detail: Conceptual
- Description: This sheet shows the systems that VHA interacts with both within the VA and with outside parties including other governmental agencies. High level information about the protocol and type of information is also shown.

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System: **HealthVet**

Drawing: **Information Exchange Partners**

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- #### Acronyms and Abbreviations:
- AAI – Authorization and Authentication Infrastructure
 - ADR – Administrative Data Repository
 - ADR-L – Administrative Data Repository Local
 - Ant – Another Neat Tool
 - Apps – Applications
 - BCMA – Bar code Medication Administration
 - CAIP – Cross-Application Integration Protocol
 - CCOW – Clinical Context Object Workgroup
 - CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - COOP – Continuity Of Operations
 - CPRS – Computerized Patient Record System
 - CPRS-R – Computerized Patient Record System Reengineered
 - CVX – Vaccines Administered
 - DICOM – Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
 - DOC – Document and Documentation (file name extension)
 - DOD – Department of Defense
 - EDI – Electronic Data Interchange
 - FDA – Food and Drug Administration
 - FMS – Financial Management System
 - GIF – Graphics Interchange Format (file name extension)
 - HDR – Health Data Repository
 - HDR-L – Health Data Repository-Local
 - HL7 – Health Level 7 (standard for electronic data exchange/messaging protocol)
 - HTML – Hypertext Markup Language
 - HUGN – Human Gene Nomenclature
 - IEEE – Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
 - JPEG – Joint Photographic Experts Group (file name extension)
 - LDAP – Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
 - LOINC – Logical Observation Identifiers, Names, and Codes
 - M – MUMPS
 - MHV – My HealthVet
 - MPEG – Moving Picture Experts Group (file name extension)
 - MVX – Manufacturers of Vaccines Programs
 - NCPDP – National Council for Prescription Drug Programs
 - NDF-RT – National Drug File-Reference Terminology
 - NLM – National Library of Medicine
 - OASIS – Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards
 - ODBC – Open Database Connectivity
 - OLE DB – Object Linking and Embedding Database
 - OS – Operating System
 - PDF – Portable Document Format
 - PKI – Public Key Infrastructure
 - RBAC – Role-Based Access Control
 - RTF – Rich Text Format
 - SQL – Structured Query Language
 - TOAD – Tool for Oracle Application Developers
 - UDDI – Universal Description, Discovery and Integration
 - WAN – Wide Area Network
 - WSDL – Web Services Description Language
 - XHTML – Extensible HyperText Markup Language
 - XML – Extensible Mark-up Language
 - XSLT – eXtensible Style Language Transformations

This sheet is under reconstruction and will be significantly changed in the next release. Included for completeness only. Replacement page to be distributed for comment separately upon completion.

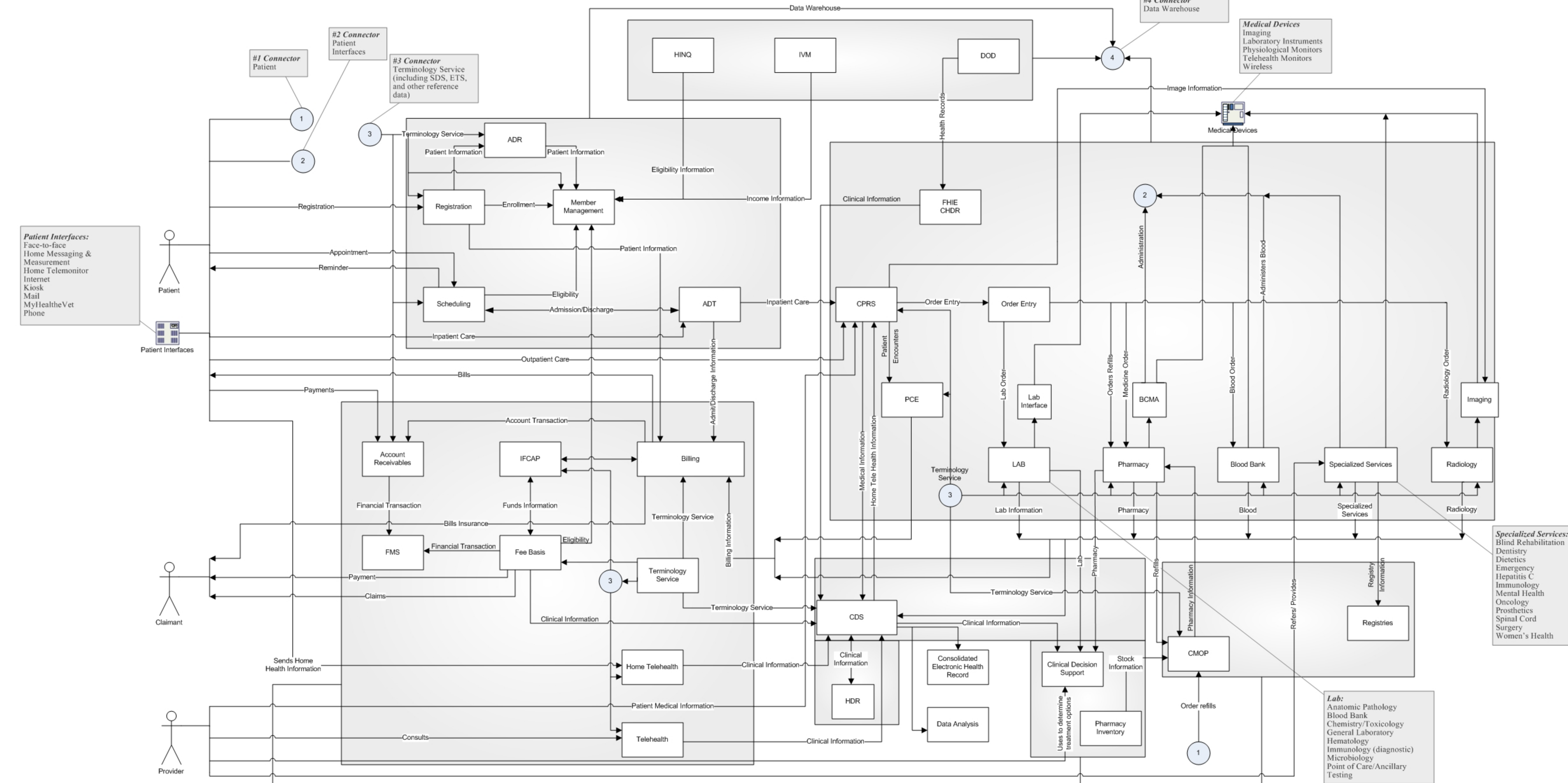
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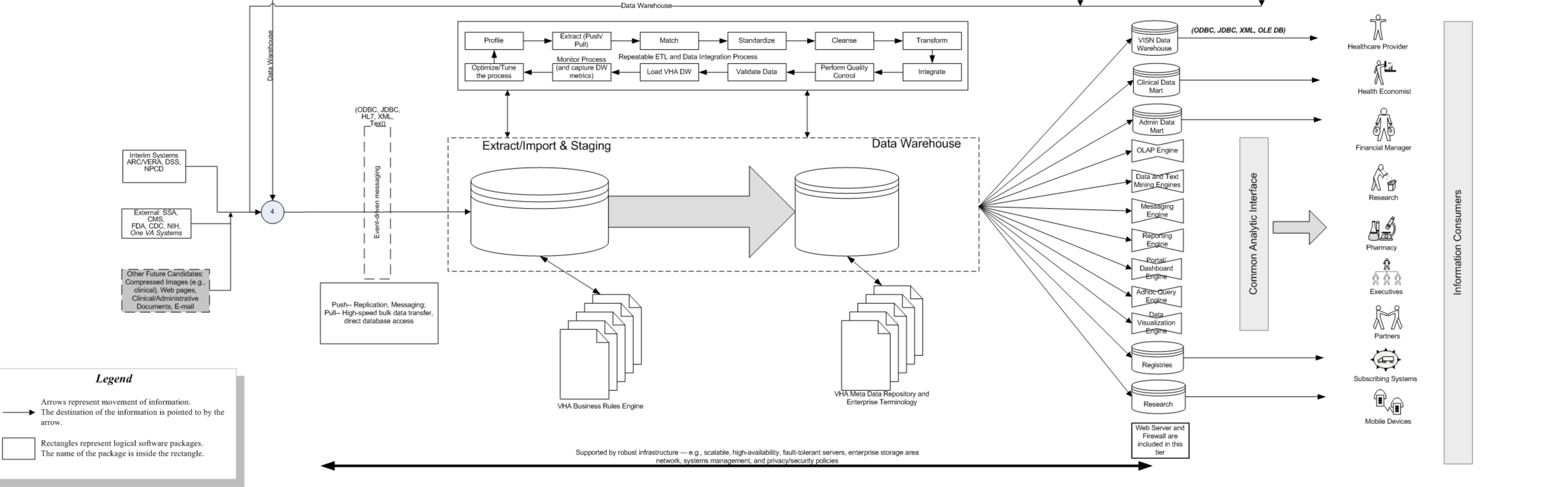
- Notes:**
Other external data providers exist apart from the ones shown. They include:
- Clearing Houses
 - CDC
 - DOD
 - Employer
 - FDA
 - IRS
 - SSA
 - Treasury
 - USPS
 - VBA
 - WebMD

- Acronyms and Abbreviations:**
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 - ADT – Admission, Discharge, Transfer / Registration
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 - PCE – Patient Care Encounter
 - RFID – Radio Frequency Identifier
 - SSA – Social Security Administration
 - SDS – Standard Data Service
 - USPS – United States Postal Services
 - VBA – Veterans Benefits Administration

Sample VHA DW Metrics
of data sources/producers; data volume; extract/transfer rate; transform rate; refresh frequency; % suspect data; % validated for data quality; workload profile – % complex vs. % tactical queries; average mining data preparation time; average report/cube build time; report/cube delivery time; DW system uptime; average resolution time (help desk, technical issues); # of unique consumers; # of concurrent consumers; average access time; information access frequency; average information retrieval time; DW satisfaction Index; %retrospective vs. %predictive consumer base; # of system consumers; # of information/data stewards; # of conformed dimensions supporting more than 1 subject area/fact.

- Specialized Services:**
- Blind Rehabilitation
 - Dentistry
 - Dietetics
 - Emergency
 - Hepatitis C
 - Immunology
 - Mental Health
 - Oncology
 - Prosthetics
 - Spinal Cord
 - Surgery
 - Women's Health

- Lab:**
- Anatomic Pathology
 - Blood Bank
 - Chemistry/Toxicology
 - General Laboratory
 - Hematology
 - Immunology (diagnostic)
 - Microbiology
 - Point of Care/Ancillary Testing



Legend

- Arrows represent movement of information. The destination of the information is pointed to by the arrow.
- Rectangles represent logical software packages. The name of the package is inside the rectangle.

Direct co-dependencies:

Direct dependencies:

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System: HealthVet

Drawing:

Information Processing

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About this sheet:

Domain: Information
Sub-domain: Movement
Level of detail: Conceptual
Description: This sheet shows the conceptual movement of information between systems/databases starting with user transactions and ending with analytical processing.

Supported by robust infrastructure — e.g., scalable, high-availability, fault-tolerant servers, enterprise storage area network, systems management, and privacy/security policies

Enabling Component
 Appointment Management
 Benefits Management
 Case Management
 Prison Management
 Person Demographics Management
 Veteran ID Card Management
 Beneficiary Identification Management
 Caregiver Education Management
 Patient Knowledge Management
 Account Collection
 Accounts Receivable
 Asset Management
 Billing Management
 Budget Management
 Campaign Management
 Claim Analysis
 Financial Planning Management
 Financial Reconciliation Management
 General Ledger
 Insurance Coordination
 Inventory Management
 Non-Vet Care Management
 Procurement/Purchase Management
 Project Cost Accounting Management
 Veterans Personal Finance Management
 ADT Management
 Analytics/Advice Management
 Antibiotic Procedure Reactions
 Blood Reconstitution Administration
 Blood Product Management
 Clinical Decision Management
 Clinical Order Management
 Clinical Practice Support
 Clinical Registry Management
 Clinical Procedure Management
 Clinical Remission Management
 Clinical Results Management
 Consent & Assessment
 Controlled Substitution Management
 Dental Care Management
 Diagnostic Testing
 Durable Care Management
 Document Management
 Donorship Management
 Emergency Care Management
 Healthcare Quality Management
 Hospital Home Health Management
 Image Management
 Incident Management
 Incident Tracking
 Labatory Monitoring Administration
 Mental Health Care Management
 Oncology Care Management
 Outpatient Care Management
 Patient Medication Management
 Patient Health Tracking & Administration
 Patient Intake & Output Tracking
 Patient Satisfaction Monitoring
 Physical Therapy Plan Management
 Population Health Management
 Primary Care Management
 Problem List Management
 Procedure Management
 Procedure Tracking
 Provider/Prescriber Management
 Social Worker Management
 Speech Care Management
 Speech Care Management
 Special Care Management
 Surgical Care Management
 Surgical Procedure Administration
 Accident Tracking
 Beneficiary Travel Management
 Contract Management
 Equal Employment Opportunity Management
 Employee Travel
 Facilities Management
 Missing Patient Tracking
 Non-Electronic Health Record Management
 Prescription Mail Out
 Veteran Security
 Voluntary Timekeeping Management

	Support Service	Member Management	Education	Financial Management	Healthcare Delivery Management	Administrative
Information	Calendar					
Information	Desktop Database					
Information	E-Mail					
Information	Spreadsheet					
Information	Word Processing					
Infrastructure	Alerts Management					
	Bulk Mailing					
	Context Management					
	Correspondence					
	Cost & Workload Mgmt					
	Delivery					
	Job Scheduling					
	Log					
	Metadata Registry					
	Naming/Directory					
	Personalization					
	Project Tracking					
	Reporting					
	Resource Scheduling					
	System Management					
	Tasking					
Terminology Management						
Workflow Management						
Comm	Active Directory					
	Data Network					
	Time					
	Voice Network					
User Interface	Character Based					
	HealthVet Desktop					
System	Windowing					
	Application Server					
	Availability					
	Data Server					
	Operating System					
	Personal Digital Assistant					
	Rich Client					
Security	Thin Client					
	Accountability					
	Audit					
	Authentication					
	Authorization					
	Confidentiality					
Data Integrity						
Non-repudiation						

Legend:
 Shaded cells indicate that the given row (support services) is used by/is depended upon by the given column (enabling component)

Pages B1, B2 and B3 are being refined to enhance depiction of the “to-be” state as it is defined.

About this sheet:
 Domain: Information
 Sub-domain: Infrastructure dependencies
 Level of detail: Logical
 Description: The mapping from business components (columns) to support services/components (rows). This sheet will be updated in future releases with better integration of A1 (business functions), the first few B series and the VHA Business Integration Model (VBIM).

<i>Direct co-dependencies:</i>			
<i>Direct dependencies:</i> Business Functions (A1); Component/service list			
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System: HealthVet			
Drawing: Enabling Component-Support Component Dependency			
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Financial Management	Account Collections	Accounts Payable	Accounts Receivable	Asset Management	Billing Management	Budget Management	Capitation Agreement Management	Claim Analysis	Financial Planning Management	Financial Reconciliation Management	General Ledger	Insurance Coordination	Inventory Management	Non-VA Care Management	Procurement Purchases Management	Project Cost Accounting Management	Veterans Personal Finance Mgmt
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Healthcare Delivery Management	ADT Management	Allergies/ Adverse Reactions	Anesthesia Procedure Administration	Audiology Care Management	Blind Rehabilitation Management	Blood Product Management	Clinical Decision Support	Clinical Order Management	Clinical Practice Protocol	Clinical Procedure Management	Clinical Registry Management	Clinical Risk Assessment	Clinical Reminder Management	Clinical Results	Consent & Authorization Management	Controlled Substances Management	Dental Care Management	Diagnostic Testing	Dietetic Care Management	Document Management
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Administrative	Accident Tracking	Beneficiary Travel Management	Contract Management	Equal Employment Opp. Mgmt	Electronic Health Record Management	Employee Travel	Equipment Management	Facilities Management	Missing Patient Tracking	Non-Electronic Health Record Management	Prescription Mail Out	Police & Security	Veteran Communication Management	Voluntary Timekeeping Management
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Infrastructure	Alerts Management	Bulk Mailing	Context Management	Correspondence	Cost & Workload Management	Delivery	Job Scheduling	Log	Metadata Registry	Naming/ Directory	Personalization	Project Tracking	Reporting	Resource Scheduling	System Management	Tasking	Terminology Management	Workflow Management
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System	Application Server	Availability	Data Server	Operating System	Personal Digital Assistant	Rich Client	Thin Client	Active Directory	Data Network	Time	Voice Network	Accountability	Authentication	Authorization	Audit	Confidentiality	Data Integrity	Non-repudiation
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User Interface	Character Based	HealthVet Desktop	Windowing	Calendar	Desktop Database	E-mail	Spreadsheet	Word Processing
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Legend

- Software Environment: J-J2EE, M-Maps, D-Net, C-Cache, P-Proprietary(COTS)
- Software Component: DS, UI, CSC, SE, OS, HW, CE, RW, PSD, PCD
- Client/Server Category: AS-Application Server, DS-Data Server, C-Client
- Computing Environment: L-Local Medical, R-Regional, N-National
- Database: M-Microsoft-SQL, O-Oracle, C-Cache(Post Relational), L-LDAP, J-Optical Storage/Jukebox
- Operating System: C-Cache, L-Linux, U-Unix, V-VMS, W-Windows
- Software Environment: 19-01, 191-HSD&D, etc.
- Data Steward mail stop: 19-01, 191-HSD&D, etc.
- Report Writer: P-PC, O-Oracle
- Project Start Date: Started
- Project Completion Date: Completed
- User Interface: M-Mobile PDA/Tablets, T=Thin Client (terminal server), W=Web Client

About this sheet:

Domain: Information
Sub-domain: Components
Level of detail: Logical

Description: This sheet shows high level deployment attributes for each component.

Direct co-dependencies:
Component/service list

Direct dependencies:
Component/service list

U.S. Veterans Health Administration

System: HealthVet

Drawing: Component Attribute Reference

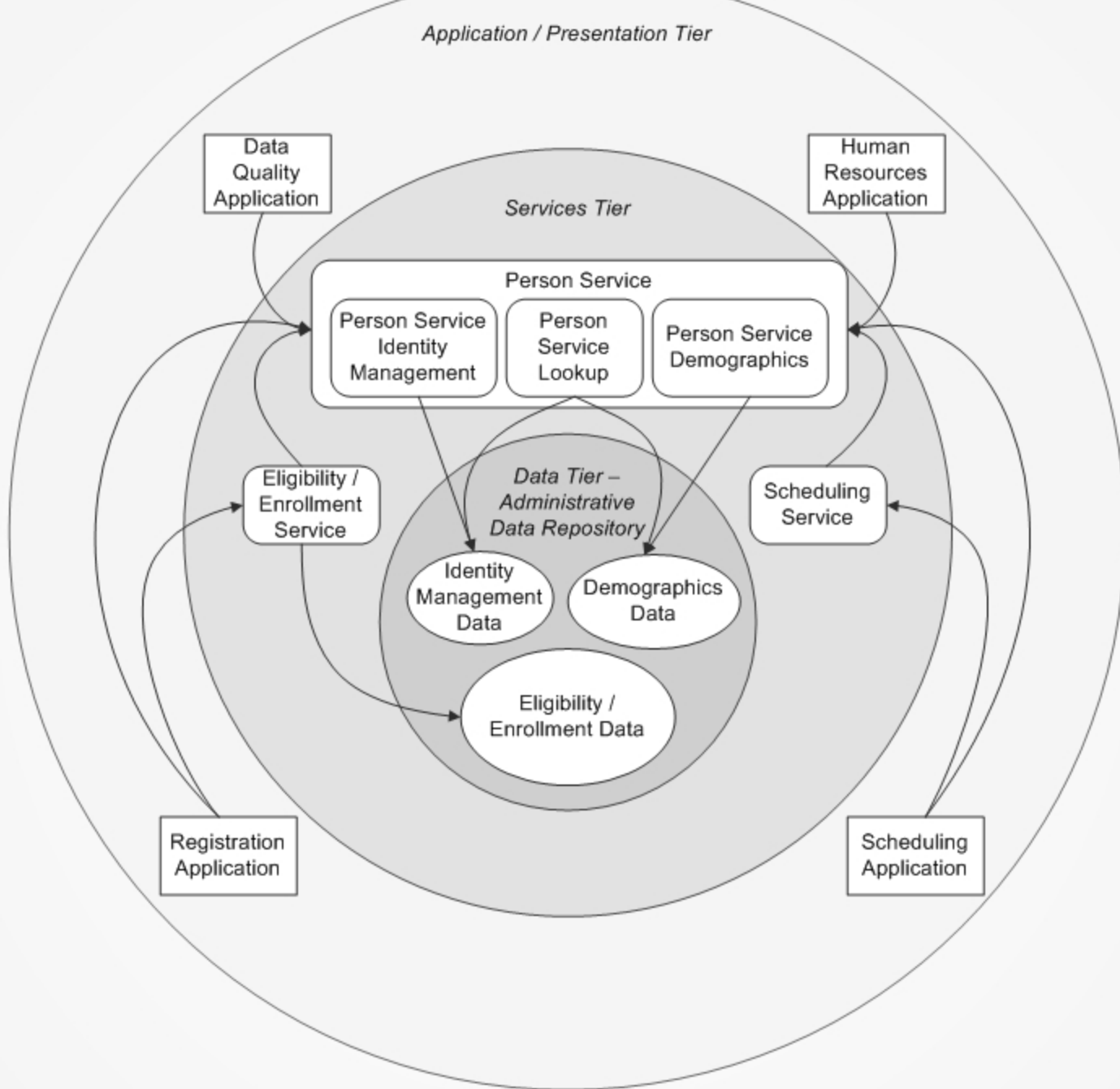
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Pane 1: Administrative Data Repository (ADR) and Person Services

Pane One shows sample applications and services using Person Services and the data in ADR.

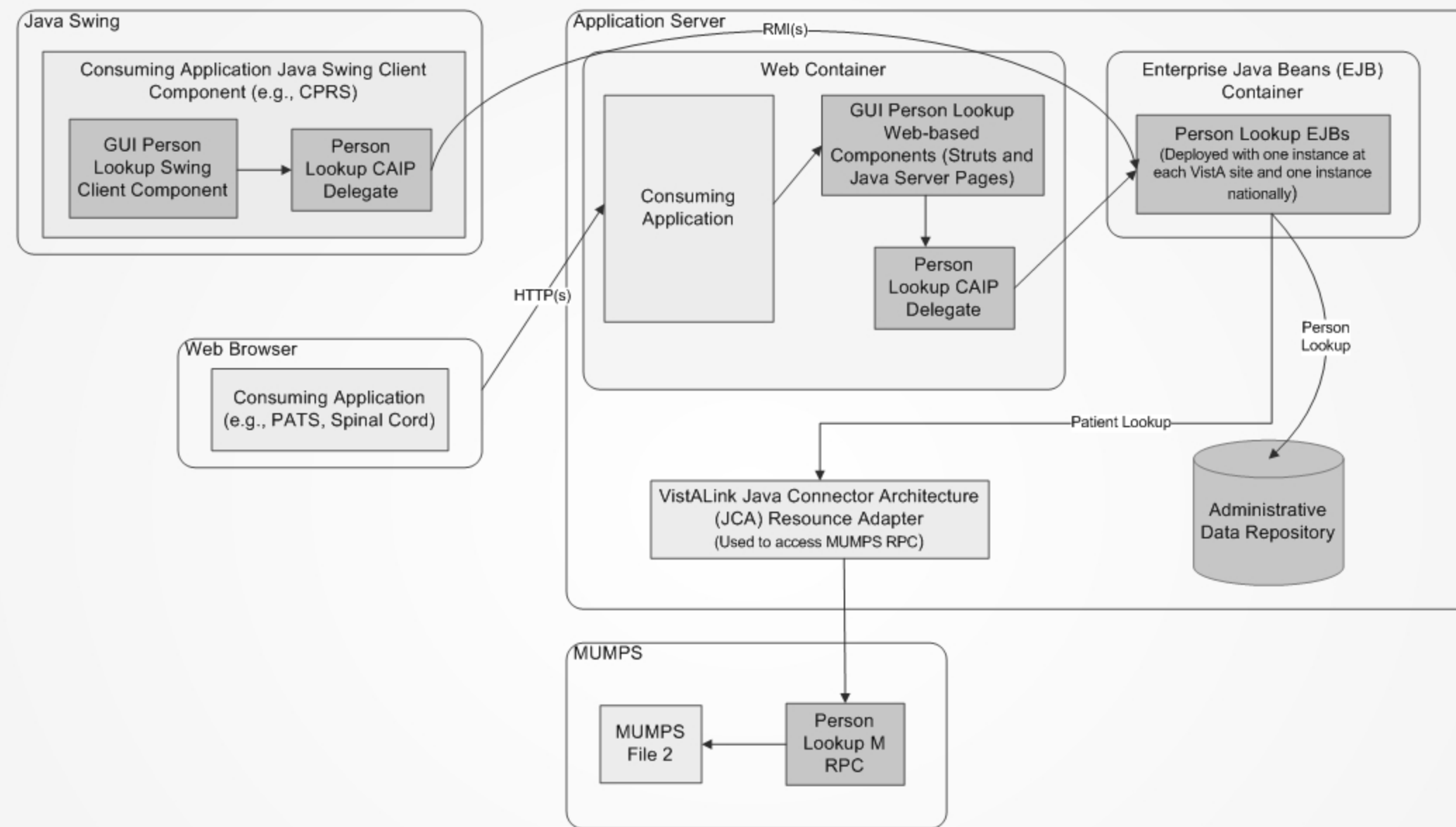


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- Arrows represent invocations of components. The target of the invocation is pointed to by the arrow.
- Shaded circles delineate the tiers of the architecture. The name of the tier is shown in italics at the top of the circle.
- Rectangles represent applications or user interfaces. The name of the application or user interface is inside the rectangle.
- Lightly shaded rectangles represent components that are not built as part of the Person Service Lookup effort. The name of the component is inside the rectangle.
- Moderately shaded rectangles represent components built in whole or in part as part of the Person Service Lookup effort. The name of the component is inside the rectangle.
- Rounded rectangles represent services. The name of the service is inside the rounded rectangle.
- Ellipses represent logical groupings of data in a persistent data store. The name of the grouping is inside of the ellipse.

Pane 2: Person Service Lookup Architecture

Pane Two shows the interim (migration) architecture for Person Service Lookup. Note that the legacy MUMPS system still provides Patient Lookup information while the Administrative Data Repository provides Person Lookup information.

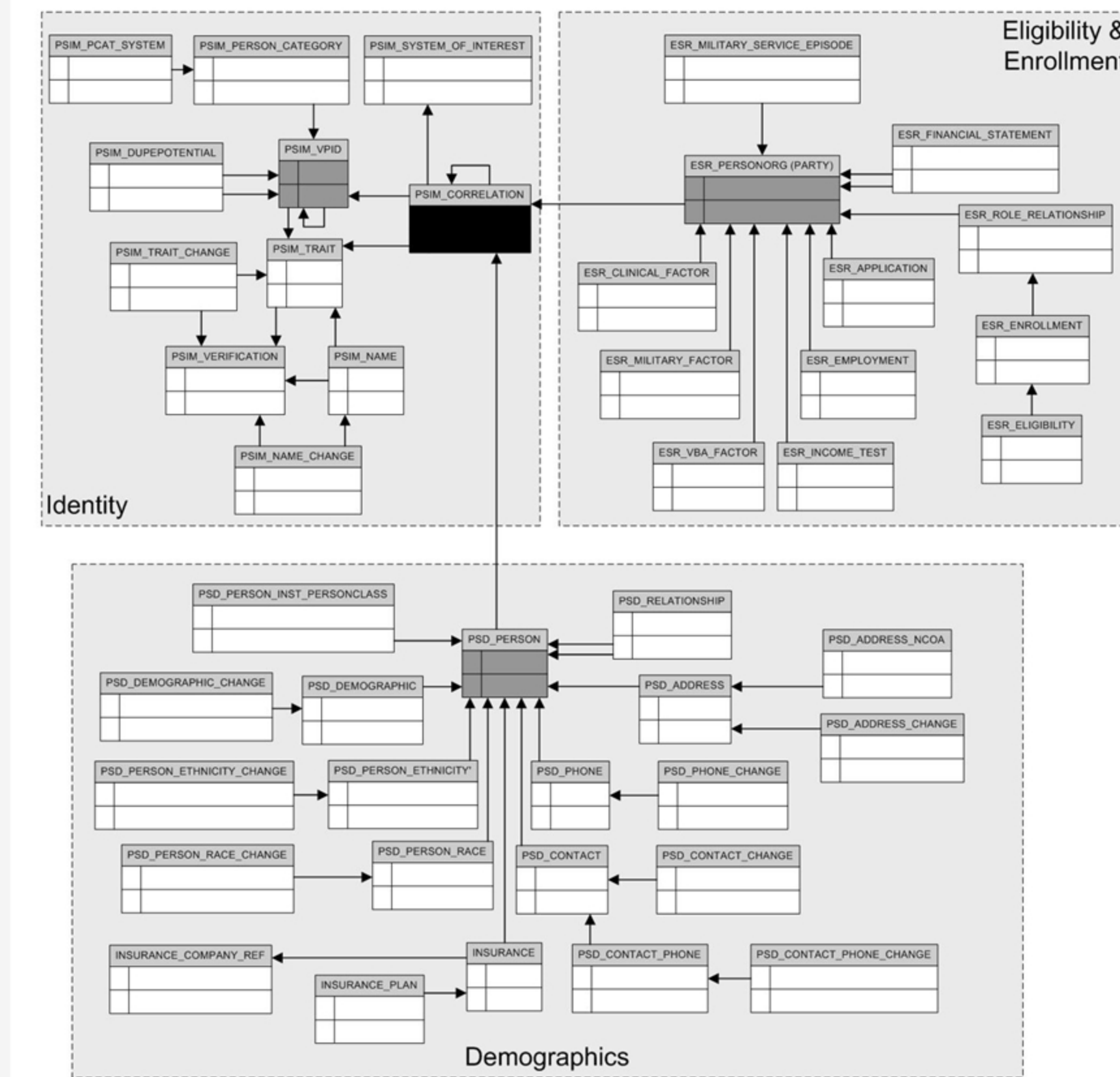


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- Arrows represent invocations of components. The target of the invocation is pointed to by the arrow. In some cases the captions indicate the transport mechanism; in others they indicate the logical information being retrieved.
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- Rounded rectangles represent logical software environments or containers provided by the Java standards and the software we purchase. The name of the environment is in the upper left corner of the rounded rectangle.
- Moderately shaded cylinders represent persistent data stores built in whole or in part as part of the Person Service Lookup effort. The name of the data store is inside the cylinder.

Pane 3: Administrative Data Repository (ADR) Logical Data Model

Pane Three shows the logical data model broken down by sub-domain. Note that the "sub-domain" integrating element is the PSIM_CORRELATION table.

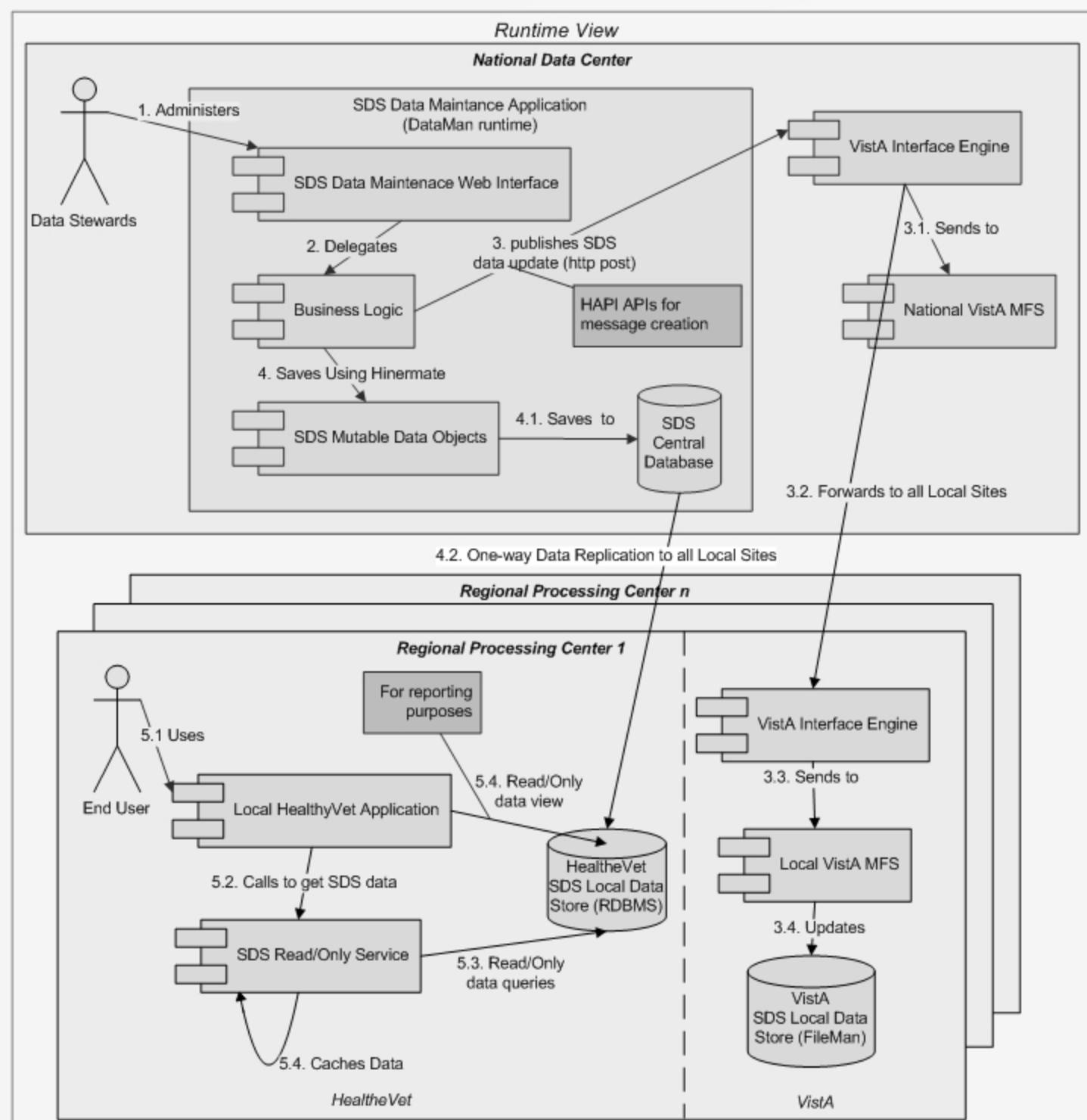


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- The arrows indicate foreign key relationships or dependencies. The target of the arrow is where the key or dependency exists.
- The rectangles indicate logical table names.

Pane 4: Standard Data Service

Pane Four shows Standard Data Service during migration in three sub-views: Runtime, Development, and Deployment/Administrative.

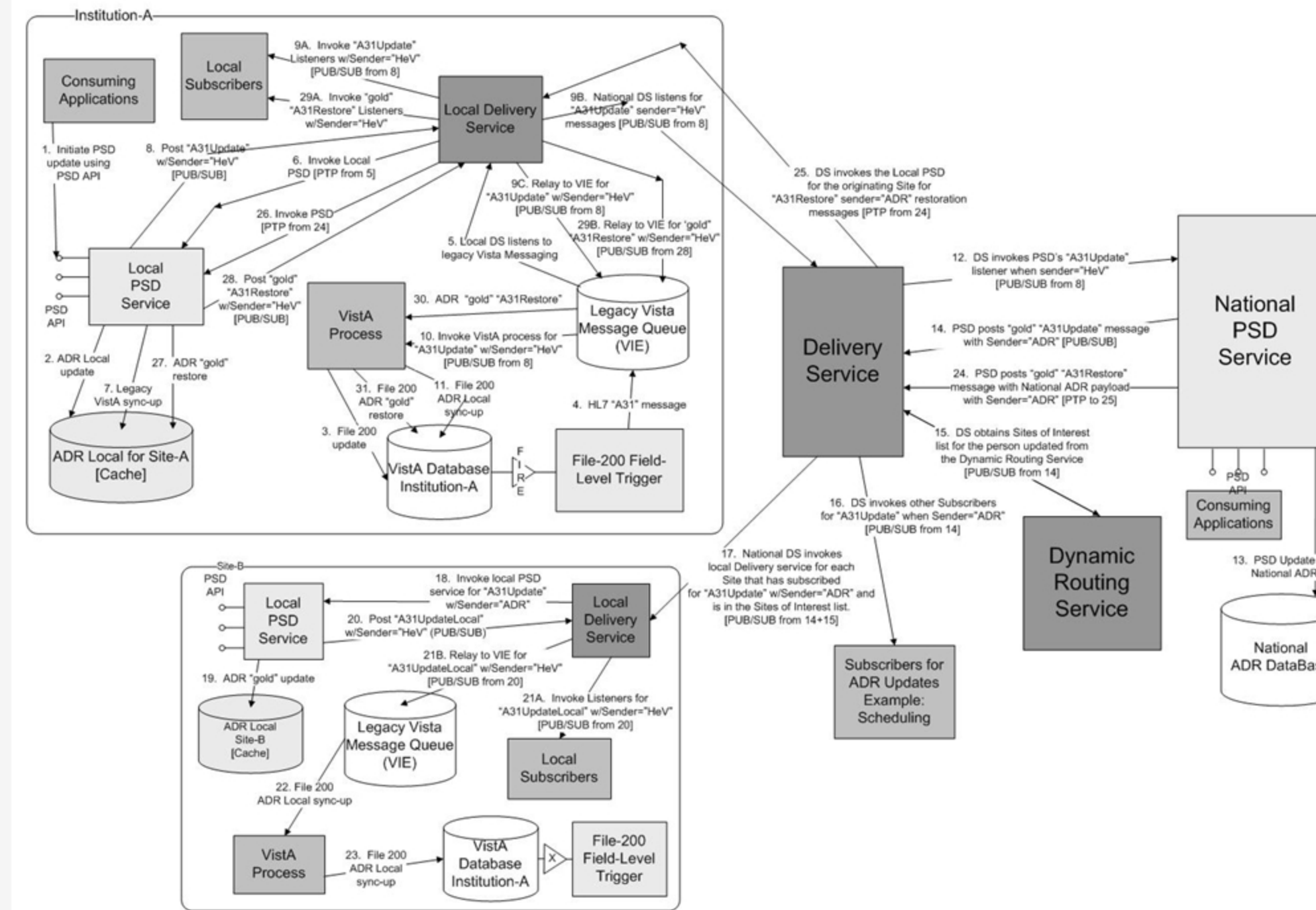


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This diagram generally uses UML notation.

Pane 5: Person Service Demographics Messaging Architecture

Pane Five shows several different locations and how updates to Person Service Demographics data flows throughout the VHA systems. In particular the "A31" message flow is shown during the migration effort while VistA is still present.



Legend

- Arrows represent invocations of components. The target of the invocation is pointed to by the arrow. The label represents the logical action taking place.
- Rectangles represent components of the system. The name of the component is inside the rectangle.
- Rounded rectangles represent deployment locations. The name of the location is in the upper left corner of the rounded rectangle.
- Cylinders represent persistent data stores. The name of the data store is inside the cylinder.

Acronyms and Abbreviations:

- ADR – Administrative Data Repository
- CAIP – Cross Application Integration Protocol
- CPRS – Computerized Patient Record System
- DDL – Data Definition Language
- DTD – Document Type Definition
- HAPI – HL7 Application Programming Interface
- HTML – Hypertext Markup Language
- HTTP(s) – Hypertext Transport Protocol
- JDBC – Java Database Connectivity
- MFS – Patient Advocate Tracking System
- PATS – Patient Advocate Tracking System
- PSD – Person Service Demographics
- RM(s) – Remote Method Invocation (secure)
- RPC – Remote Procedure Call
- UML – Unified Modeling Language
- SDS – Standard Data Service
- SQL – Structured Query Language
- VIE – Vitria Interface Engine
- VistA – Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture
- XML – eXtensible Markup Language

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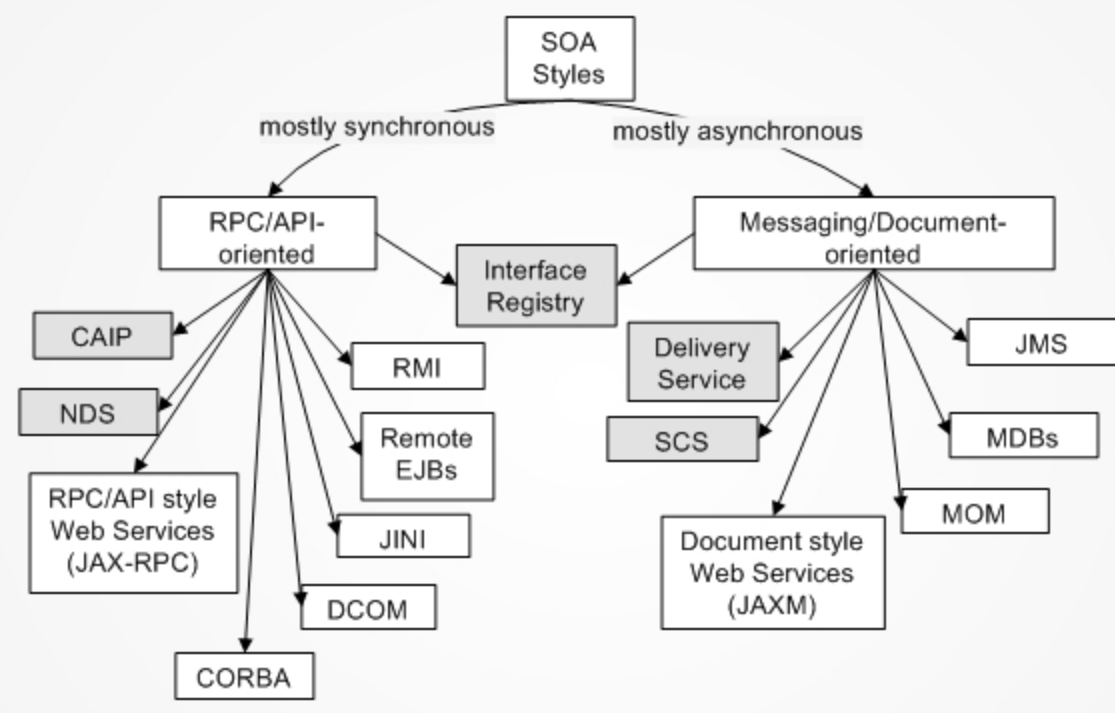
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Common Business Services

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Pane 1: Integration Styles of Service Oriented Architecture

Pane One shows a general taxonomy of the integration styles for service oriented architecture. The HealthVet architecture is designed to support all of the styles and mechanisms shown.

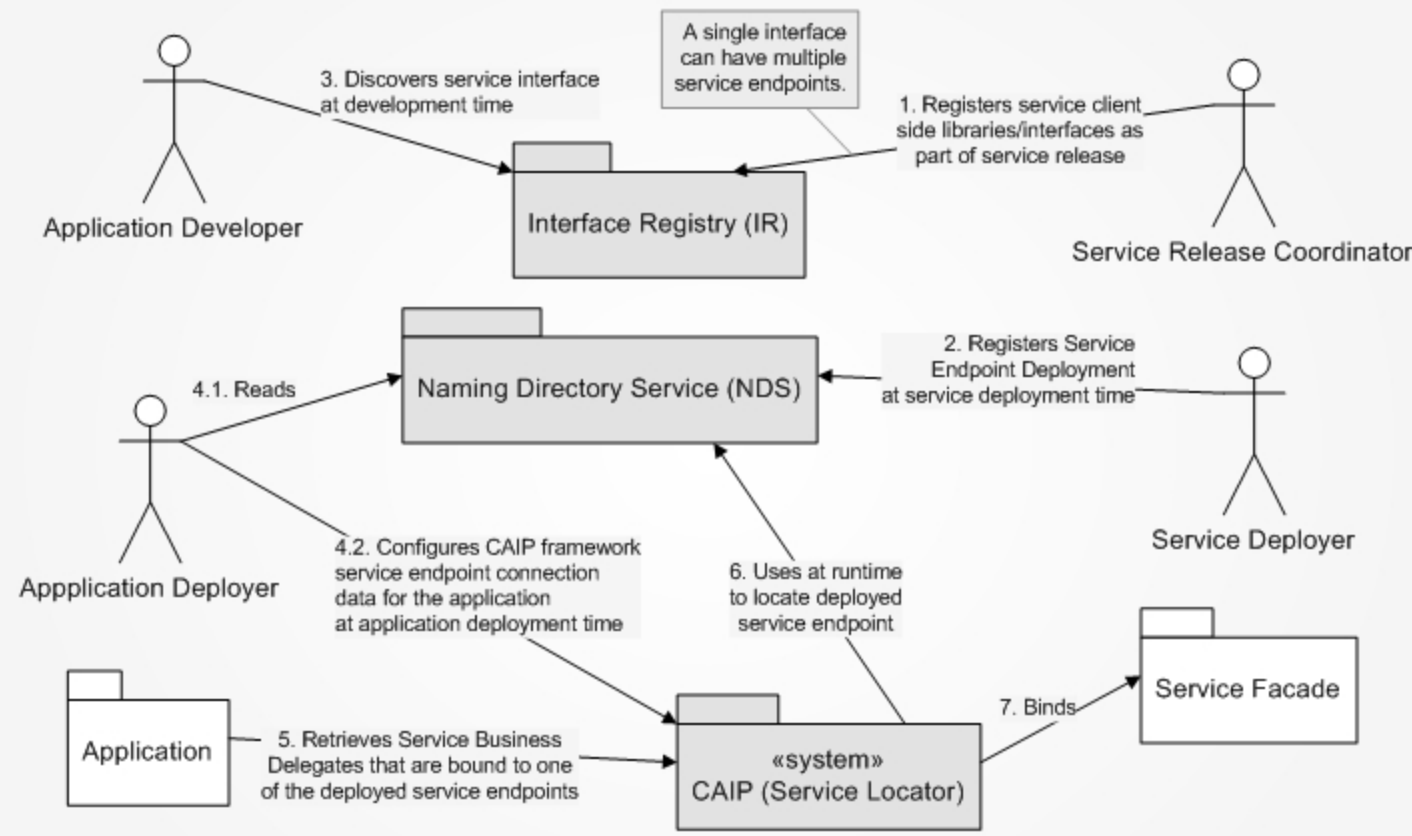


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Shaded rectangles indicate components that are common technology components being built as part of the common technology services of the HealthVet effort. Unshaded rectangles indicate base technologies or standards that have compliant components built as necessary for each individual business service of the HealthVet effort.

Pane 2: Components to Support RPC Style Interactions

Pane Two shows the components or services built to support the RPC style of service interactions.

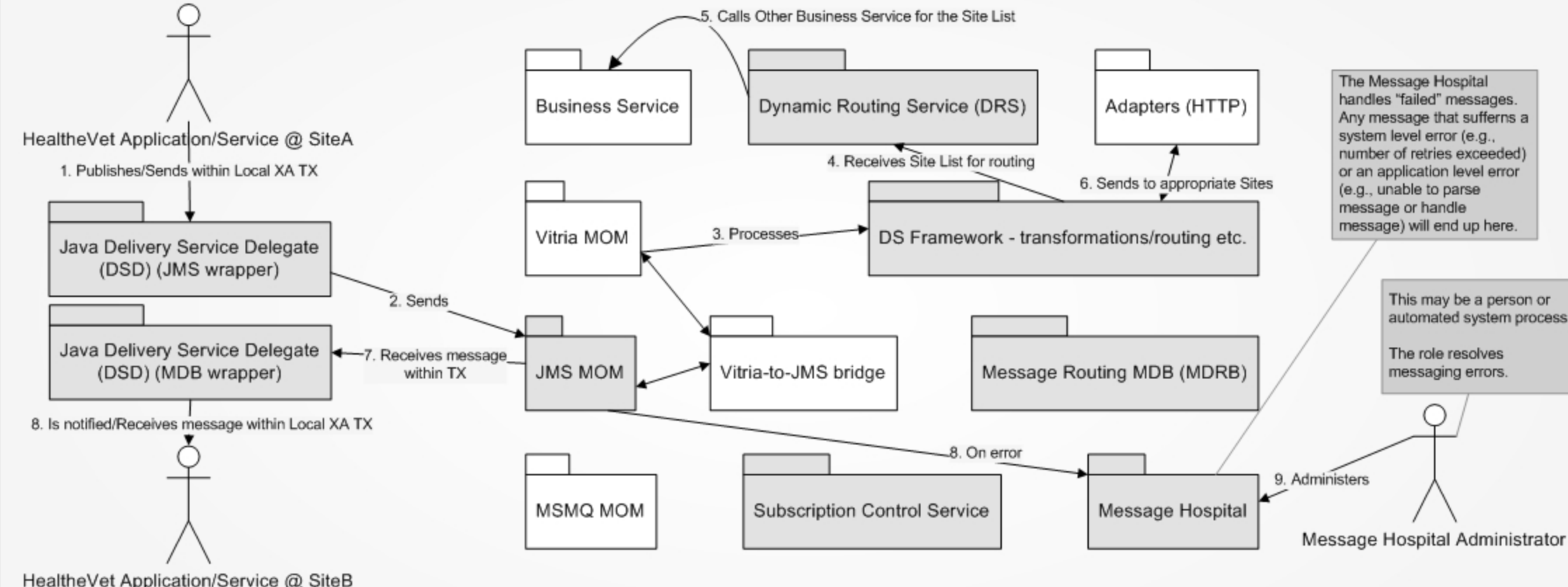


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Pane 3: Components to Support Messaging Style Interactions

Pane Three shows the components or services built to support the messaging style of service interactions.



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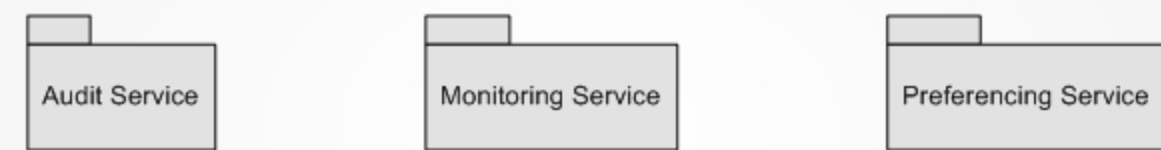
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Acronyms and Abbreviations:

- API – Application Programming Interface
- BW – BusinessWare
- CAIP – Cross-Application Integration Prototype Architecture
- CORBA – Common Object Request Broker Architecture
- DCOM – Distributed Component Object Model
- ebXML – Electronic Business using eXtensible Markup Language
- EJB – Enterprise Java Beans
- HL7 – Health Level 7
- HTTP – Hypertext Transport Protocol
- IDL – Interface Definition Language
- JAX – Java APIs for XML
- JAXM – Java APIs for XML Messaging
- JMS – Java Message Service
- MDB – Message Driven Bean
- MIME – Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions
- MOM – Message Oriented Middleware
- NDS – Naming and Directory Service
- SCS – Subscription Control Service
- SMTP – Simple Mail Transport Protocol
- SOAP – Simple Object Access Protocol
- SOAP-ENV – Simple Object Access Protocol Envelope
- TX – Transaction
- Vista – Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture
- VO – Value Object
- XA – X/Open specification for distribute transactions
- XML – eXtensible Markup Language

Pane 4: Components to Support General Computing

Pane Four shows the components or services built to support the needs of a production grade system regardless of whether a service oriented architecture is being built.

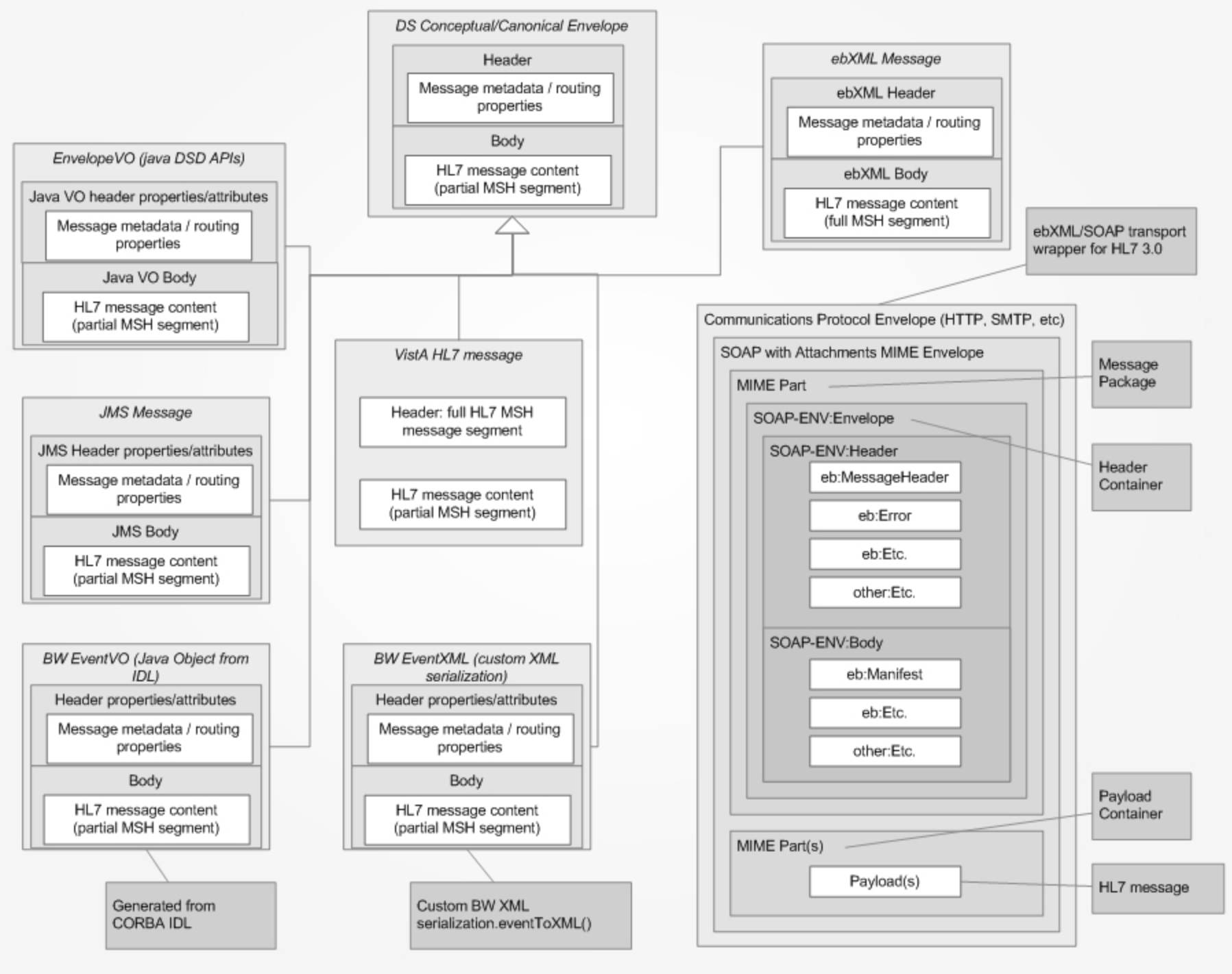


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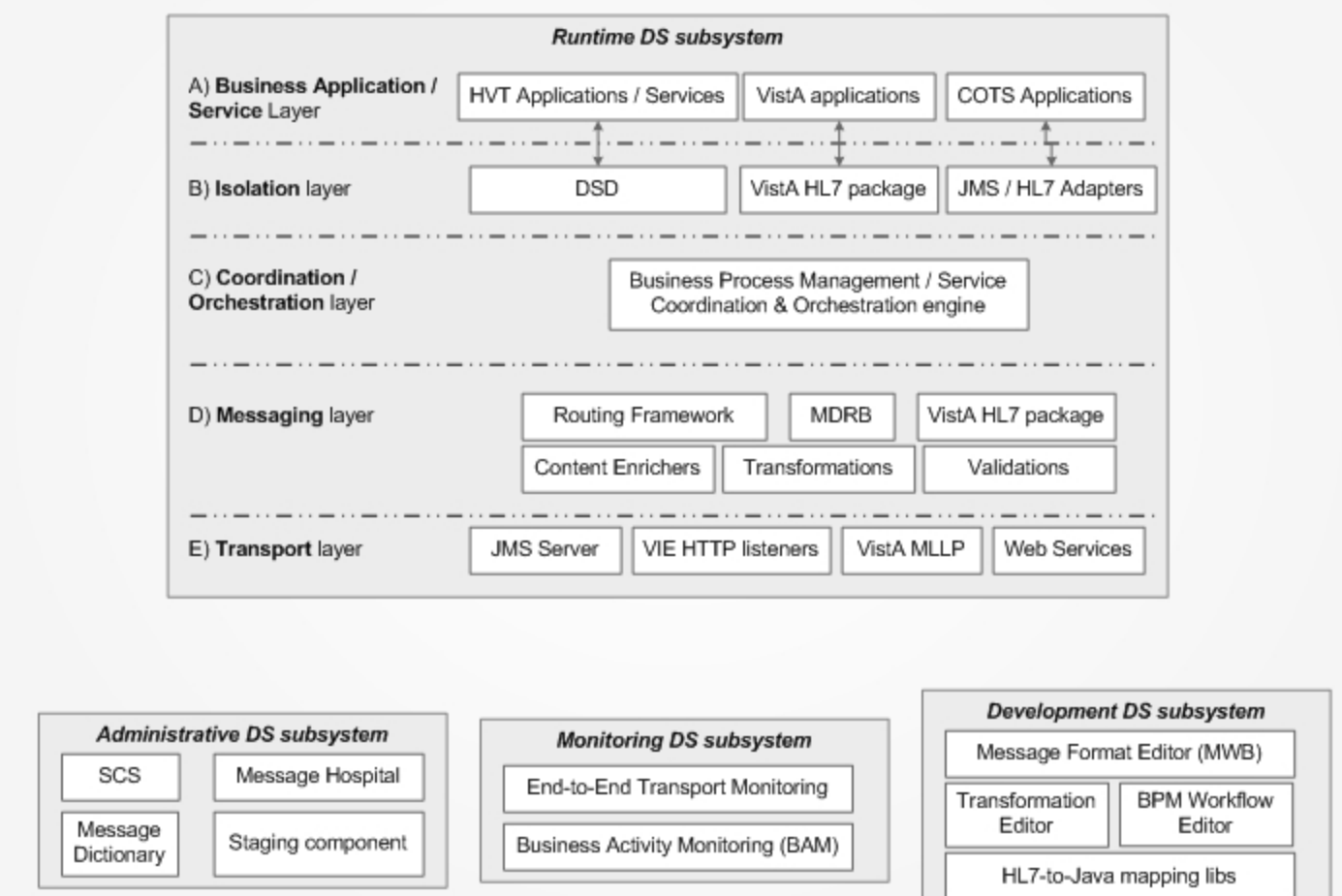
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Pane 5: Types of Delivery Service Envelopes

Pane Five shows the various types of Delivery Service supported envelopes that messages can be sent inside.

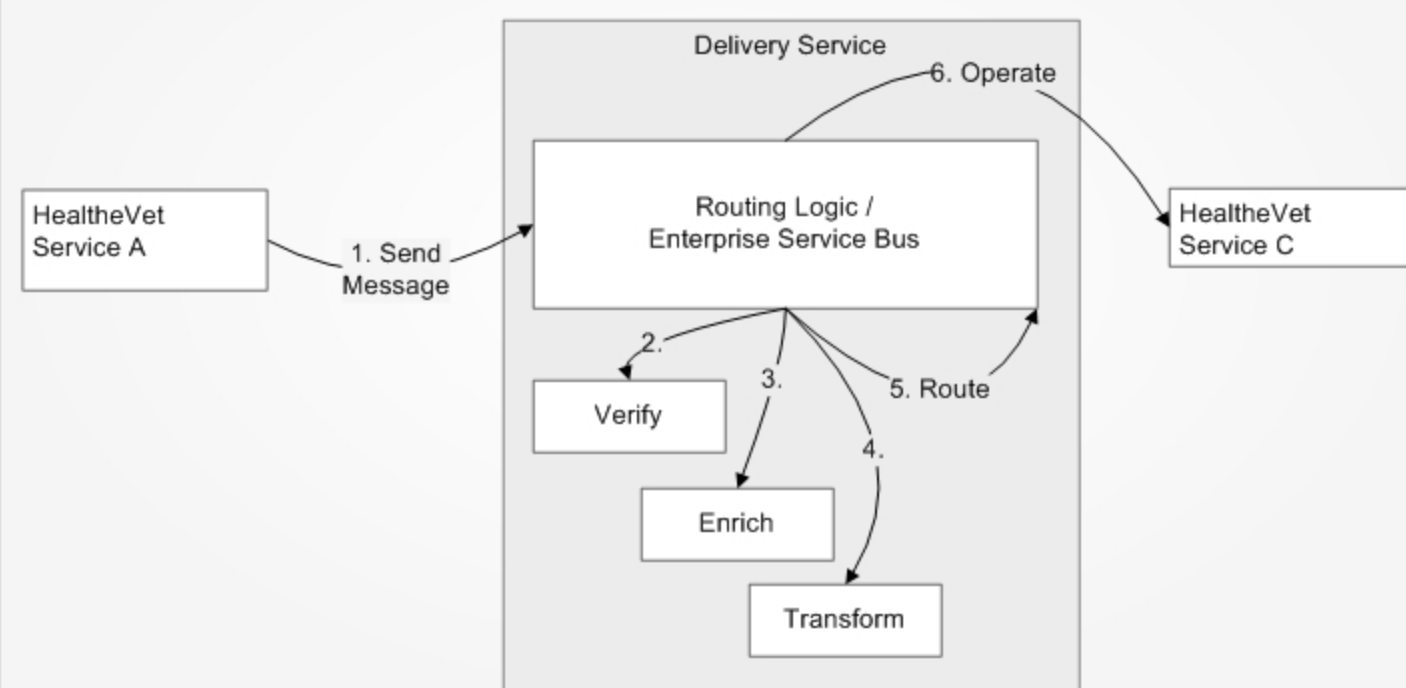


Pane 6: Subsystems of Delivery Service



Pane 7: VET(R)O Pattern used by Delivery Service

Pane Seven shows the VET(R)O pattern which stands for: Verify; Enrich; Transform; Route; Operate



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Common Infrastructure Services

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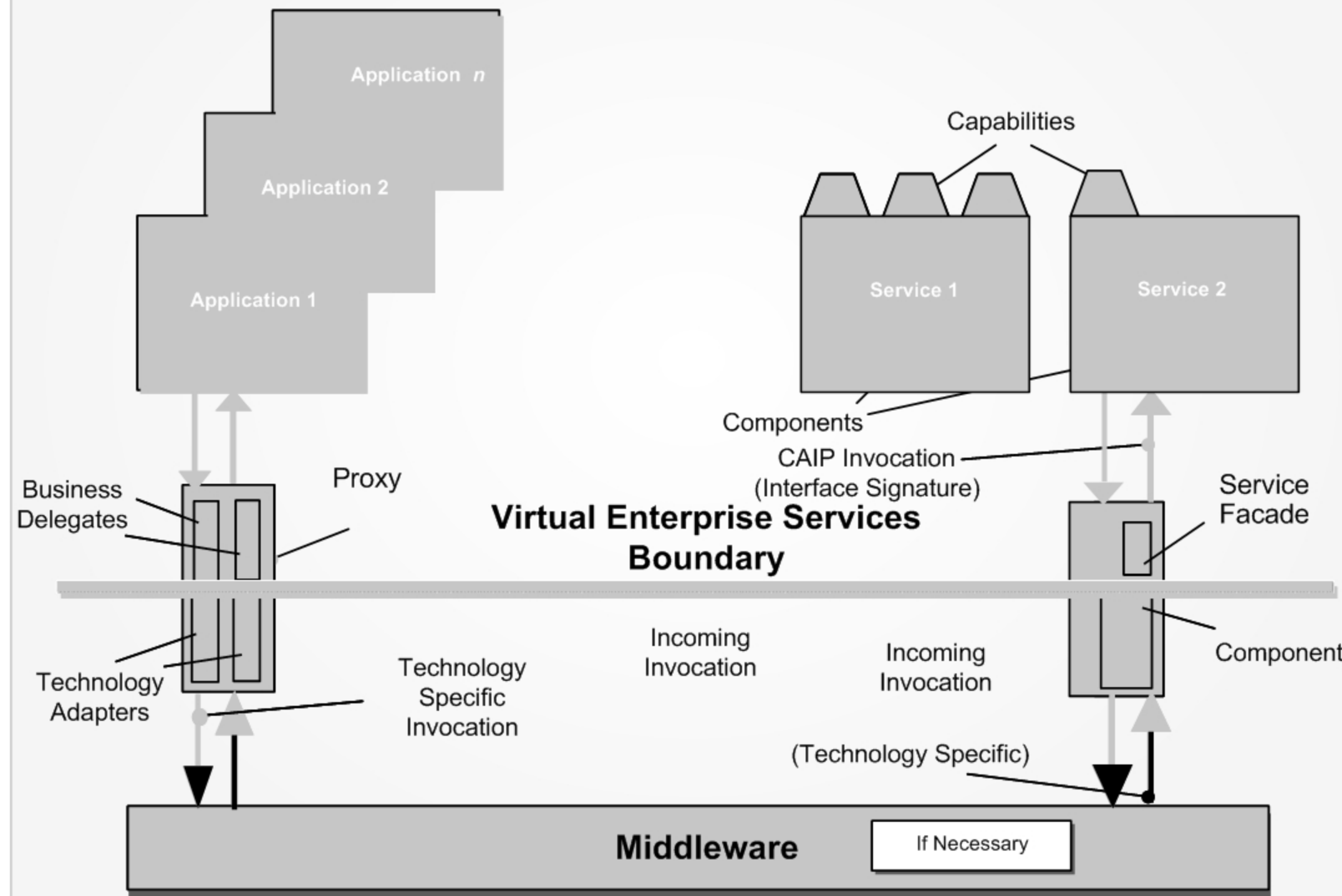
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 Description: This sheet depicts the common (core) shared infrastructure services upon which HealthVet relies.

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Pane 1: CAIP Concept Architecture

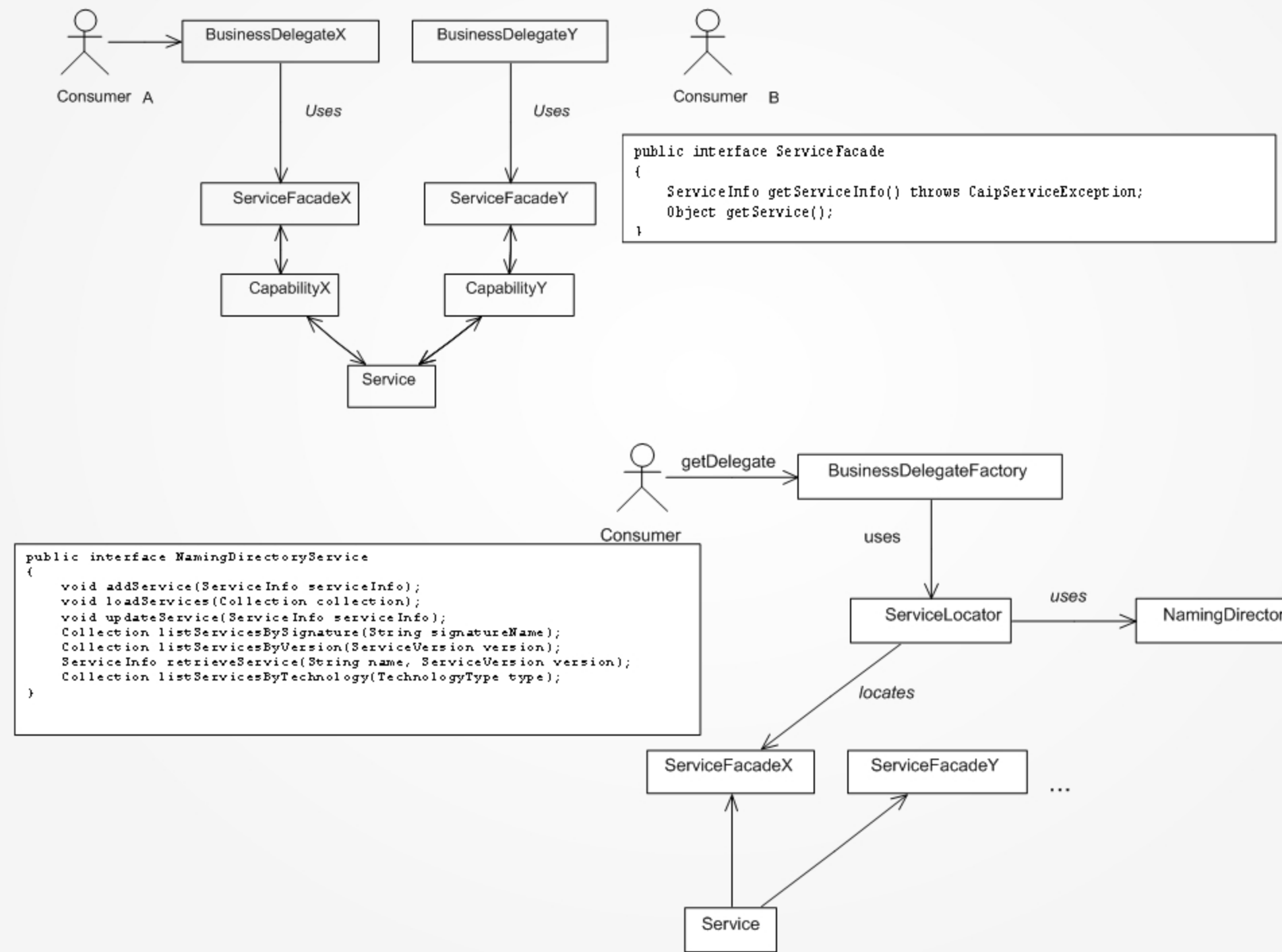
Pane One is a conceptual depiction of the middleware architecture. Effectively, applications will not be making middleware calls directly. Instead they will use established CAIP protocols to interact with "Business Delegates" that have responsibility to route requests via middleware to the appropriate service. The business delegates are technology specific so as to directly interface with the applications (e.g., a Java application will use a Java business delegate).

The technology adapters will transform the invocation call into a middleware technology. Specifically, one business delegate may well have technology adapters to multiple middleware technologies. All platform-specific middleware concerns remain encapsulated inside the respective technology adapter.



Pane 2: Business Delegate Architecture

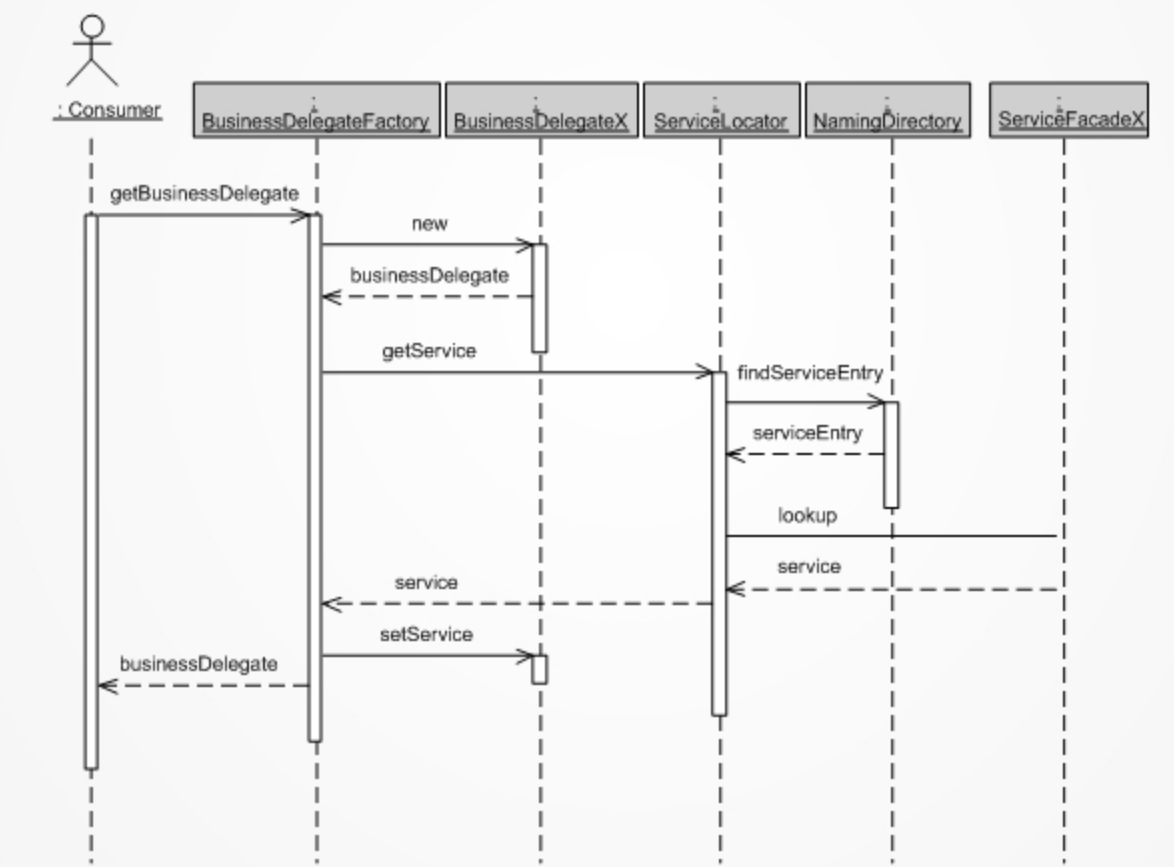
Pane Two illustrates more detail about the business delegates. The first part demonstrates the relationship between the delegates and the service facades, effectively showing the flow as queries pass through this infrastructure. Also included is the interface signature for the ServiceFacade. Note that the ServiceFacade references a CAIPServiceException and not middleware-specific exceptions. This is consistent with the approach that CAIP is middleware platform agnostic, thus allowing for differences among varying middleware alternatives. Irrespective of the actual transport technology, the exception handling is done at a higher level encapsulating the platform-specific differences and shielding applications from them.



Pane 3: The Dynamic Component Integration Model

Pane Three demonstrates the dynamic aspects of application integration, showing the flow of control among the components during an invocation. This UML sequence diagram is a complement to the component diagram in Panel Two. Note that the integration approach uses several industry design patterns, such as Abstract Factory (Gamma). The use of the factory allows for a single higher level call to result in the instantiation of the appropriate business delegate.

The Service Locator in conjunction with the Naming and Directory Service are used to support dynamic service discovery. Using this approach, VHA is positioned to allow new services to come online and be integrated into the enterprise as they are deployed. The addition of a new service into the directory allows it to be "found" and used appropriately. This eliminates point-to-point bindings between applications allowing for increased flexibility. Further, it allows for more flexible deployment opportunities, allowing multiple service instances to distribute workload, etc., all unbeknownst to the invoking application. The client application, a service call is made via a delegate and that call is serviced. The details about how the request was carried over the transport layer and even the destination servicing the request are hidden from the caller.



Notes:
Content follows practices put forth in Design Patterns: Elements of Reusable Object-oriented Software (Gamma et. al., hardcover)

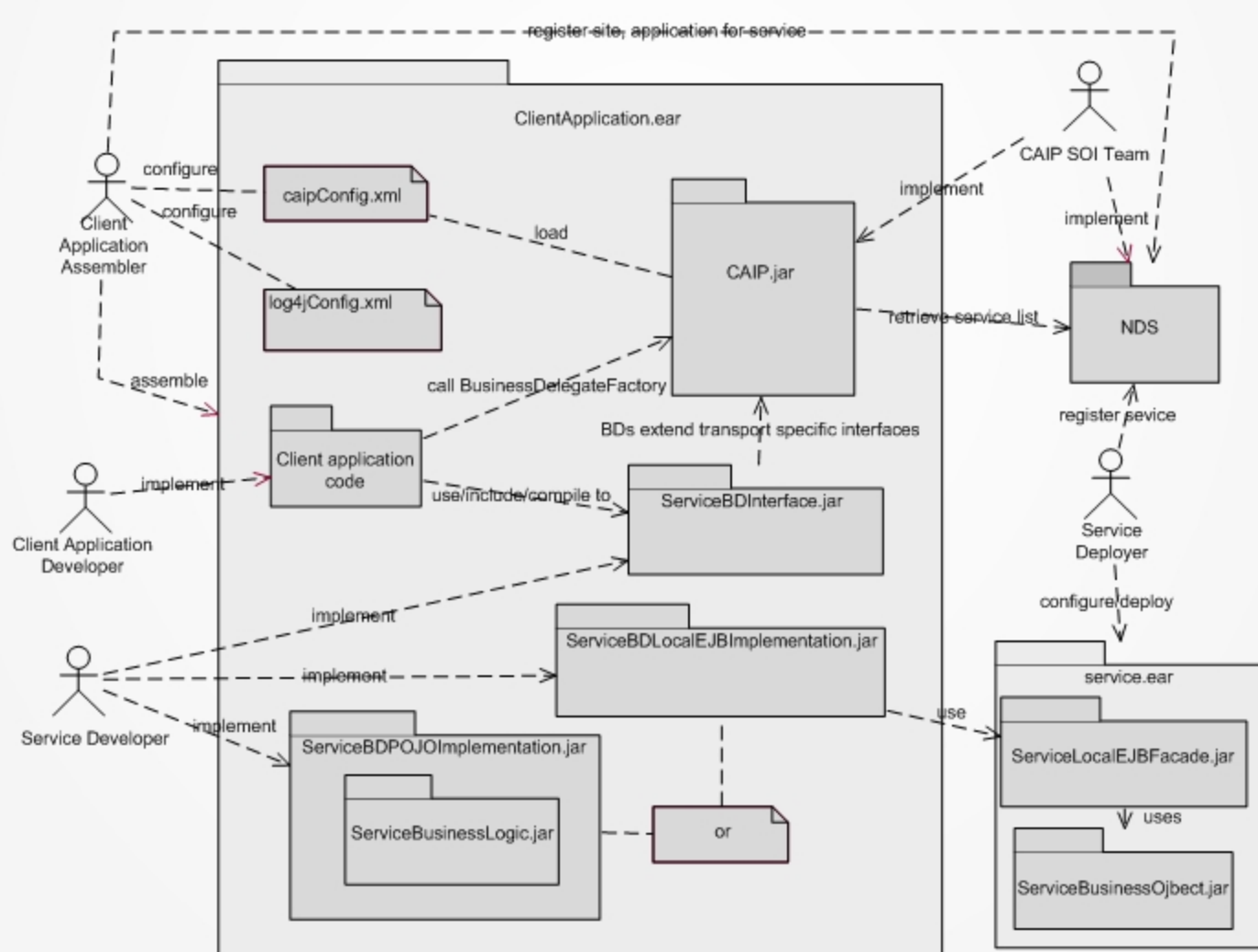
Pane 4: Configuring for CAIP

Pane Four illustrates, from a programmers point of view, the use of the CAIP framework in a Java environment. This is an illustration of a sample use case, configuring CAIP. It depicts the roles of application, service provider, and the CAIP teams proper, as well as key settings files and interaction among CAIP infrastructure components.

The service provider develops a service and its capabilities. The Service Provider also defines the business delegate interface for the service as well as a technology-specific implementation of the interface. Finally, the Service Provider maintains entries in the Naming/Directory Service (NDS) for the service.

The application assembler integrates a service's capabilities by utilizing the business delegates in their application. The application assembler maintains the CAIP framework configuration, which contains a list of delegates used by an application as well as the connection information to the NDS. The application assembler also is responsible for ensuring that there are the needed NDS site and application entries for the services to be used.

Significantly richer detail about the configuration and applied use of the CAIP framework is available in the CAIP Developers Guide.



Pane 5: Inter-Component Integration with VHA Health Information Model (VHIM)

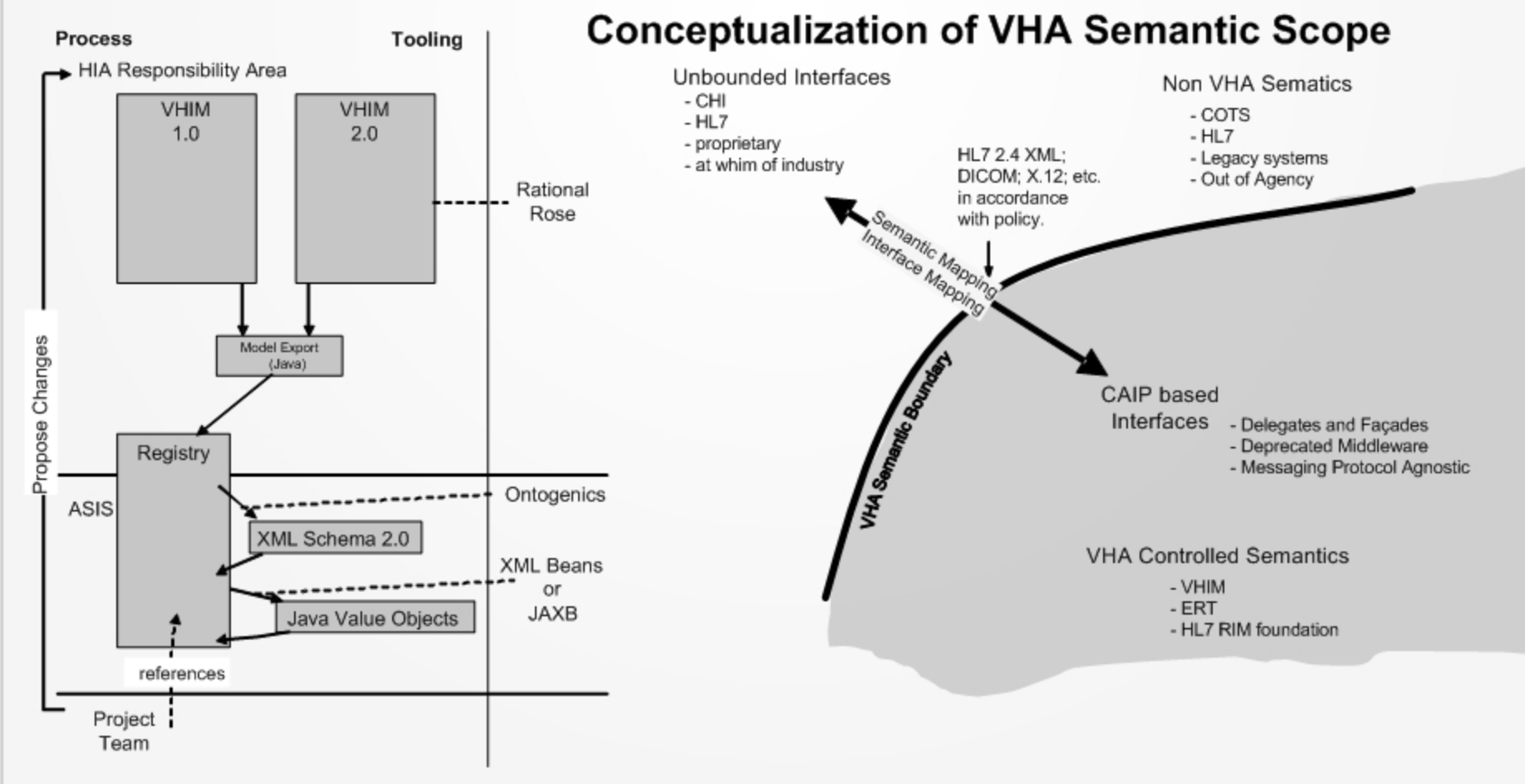
Pane Five illustrates the impact of the VHA Health Information Model (VHIM) as it computationally integrates with this architecture. VHIM is an information-view model, effectively describing the content of interest to VHA and establishing codesets, relationships, and constraints to which VHA applications must comply. There are three distinct categories of content within the VHIM: the domain model, the datatypes, and the template model. This discussion will focus on the templates.

In brief, a template is a structure capable of transporting the domain content relevant for that template. A template identifies and maintains structural integrity of the content it carries, along with some constraint (such as relationships, cardinality, required fields, and so on). These templates play a vital role to inter-component integration.

When making cross-component invocations, these templates serve as the payload mechanism for transporting content. Let's consider a Java based example. To pass a laboratory result from one component to another requires the successful transport of both structure and semantic. The templates provide the structure to instantiate this invocation. Within an application, data payload will be instantiated as a collection of Java value objects that are consistent with the VHIM. [The VHIM team will be producing these value objects as libraries resulting from a process and off-the-shelf tooling]. Instances of these value objects will be created and populated with the information of interest within an application.

To communicate this to another component, a template will be created and the value objects populated into the template. The template then becomes a parameter of the CAIP-based invocation call to the Business Delegate that is acting as a proxy for the service we wish to invoke. Effectively, this template consists of a root class and a navigation path allowing traversal of the payload. Since this representation is formal and rigorous, and the traversal is deterministic, this allows for a repeatable way to transfer content.

By requiring the use of VHIM-conformant templates in the CAIP interface signatures, we are assured that data flowing between components complies with the established semantics in the VHIM. Any details specific to transport-level passing of this content (for example, EJB, HL7 messaging, and so on) is managed within the delegate and the technology adapter. At the point the payload is delivered to the service that will handle the request, the content will have been re-formed in the template-based structure and semantic.



Direct co-dependencies:
HIA Service Architecture Requirements: <http://vaww.va.gov/vhaea/scripts/hiadocdetail.asp?RID=507>

Direct dependencies:
CAIP Project Documentation: <http://vista.med.va.gov/CommonServices/>

CAIP Specification, Developers Guide: [http://vista.med.va.gov/CommonServices/Project Artifacts and Docs/CAIP/CAIP Developer Guide.doc](http://vista.med.va.gov/CommonServices/Project%20Artifacts%20and%20Docs/CAIP/CS_CAIP_Developer_Guide.doc)

CAIP SOA Governance Document: [http://vista.med.va.gov/CommonServices/Project Artifacts and Docs/CAIP/CAIP/CAIP_SOA_Governance_Guidance v0.99.doc](http://vista.med.va.gov/CommonServices/Project Artifacts and Docs/CAIP/CAIP/CAIP_SOA_Governance_Guidance_v0.99.doc)

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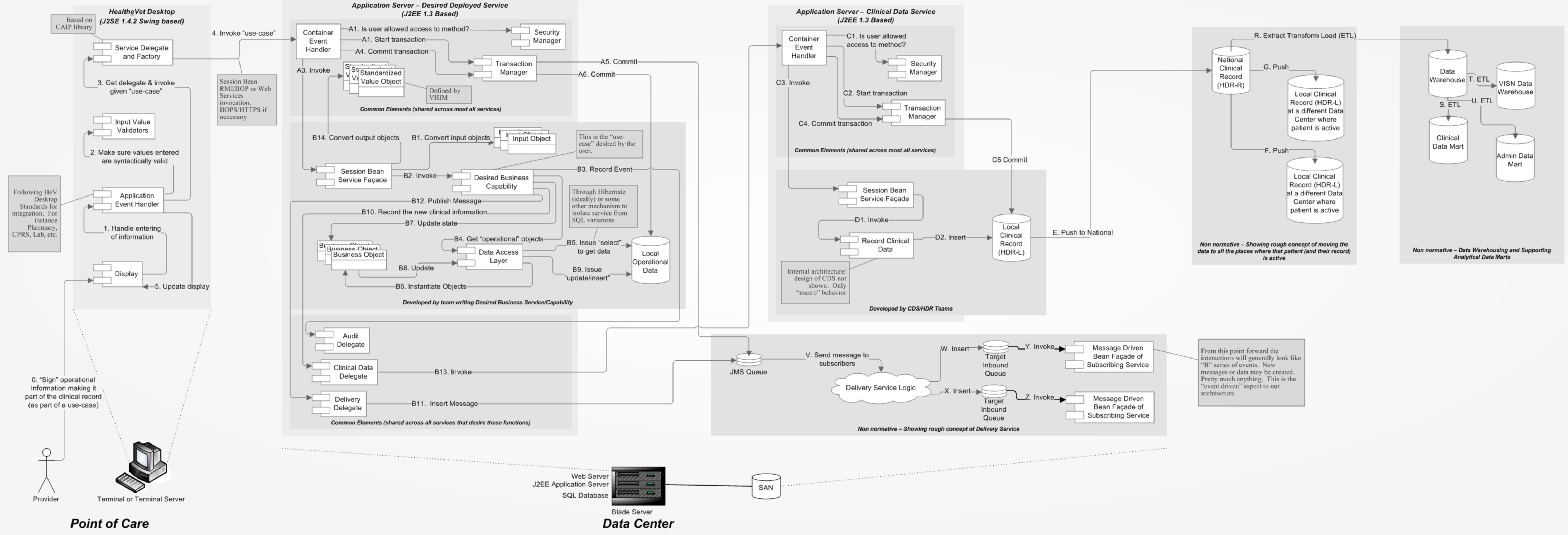
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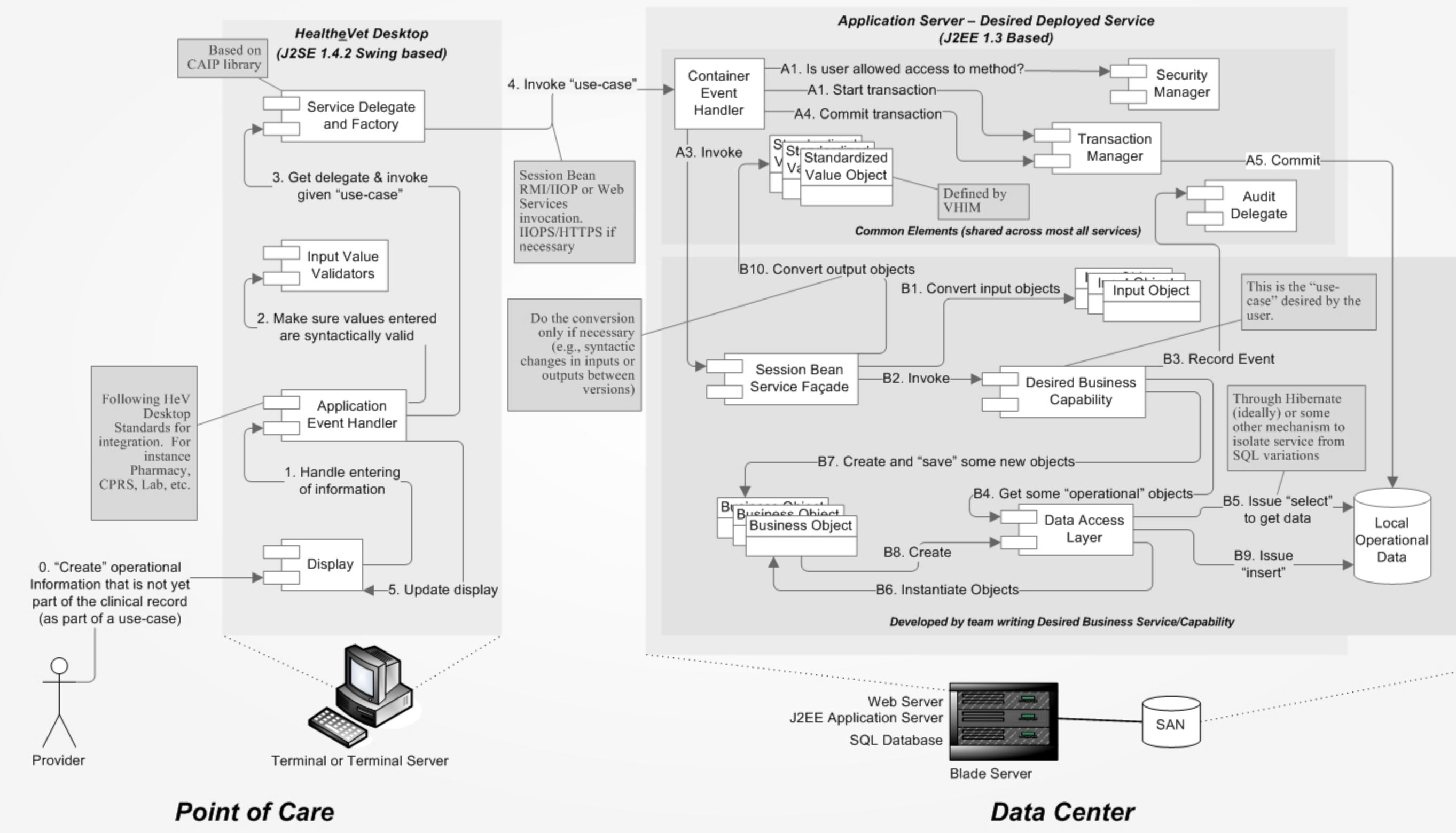
Pane 1: Creating Clinical Data Ready for the Patient Record

Pane One shows the interactions to take a piece of Operational data and move it into the Clinical Record. For instance: Signing an order, signing and releasing the results of a lab test, administering a medication



Pane 2: Creating Operational Data

Pane Two shows Interactions to create a piece of Operational data – data that should not currently appear in the Clinical Record. For instance: Starting to create an order, intermediate steps in the pharmacy of filling an order



Notes:
The reader is referred to: <http://vista.med.va.gov/vistaarch/HealtheVet/Models/Applied%20Software%20Architecture.htm> for an additional "static" view of the design components (versus interactions for various scenarios).

Acronyms and Abbreviations:
CDS – Clinical Data Service
HDR-L – Local Health Data Repository
HDR-N – National Health Data Repository
J2EE – Java 2 Enterprise Edition
J2SE – Java 2 Standard Edition
JMS – Java Messaging Service
SAN – Storage Area Network
SQL – Structured Query Language
VHIM – VHA Health Information Model

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Drawing: **Component Interactions - Updates**

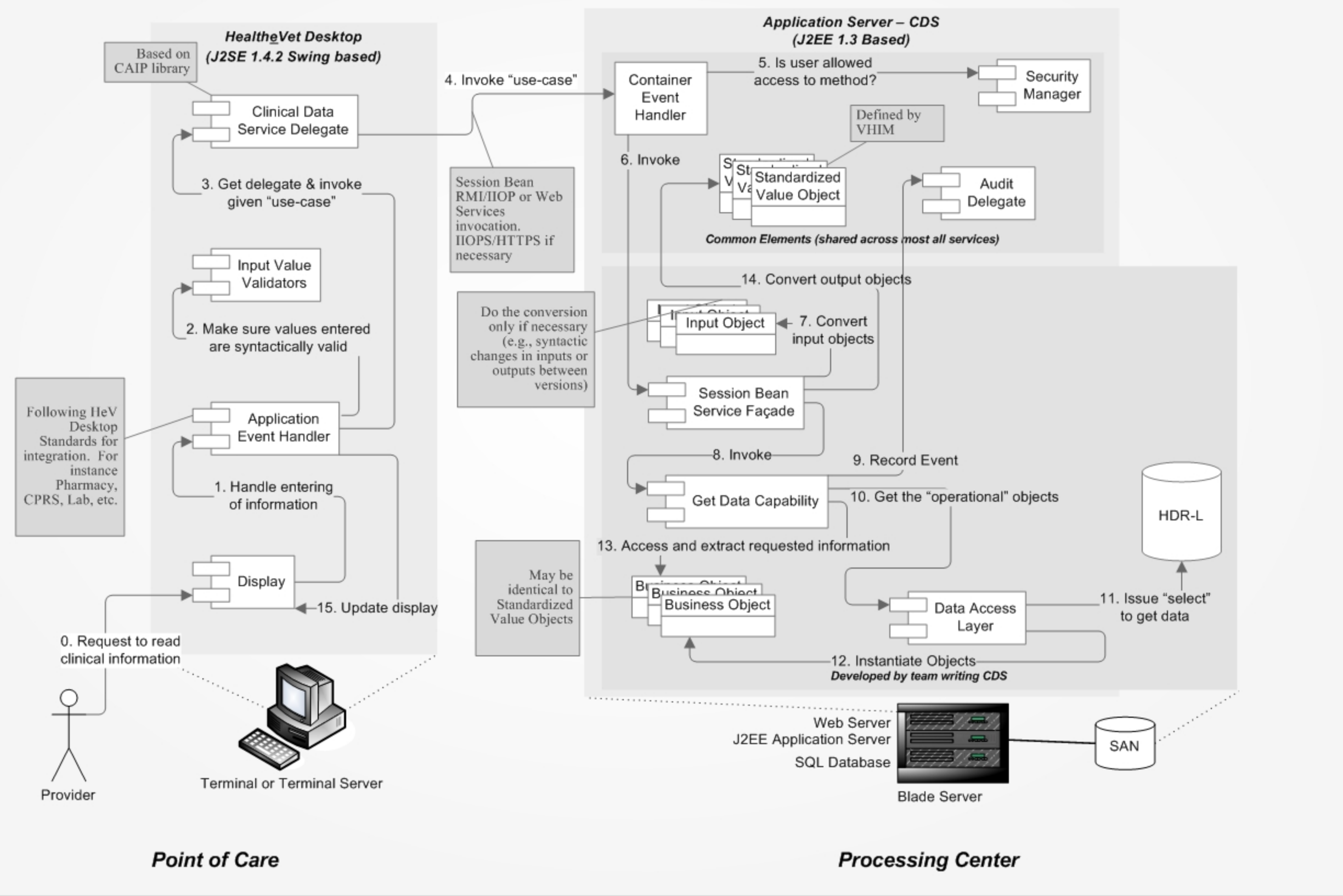
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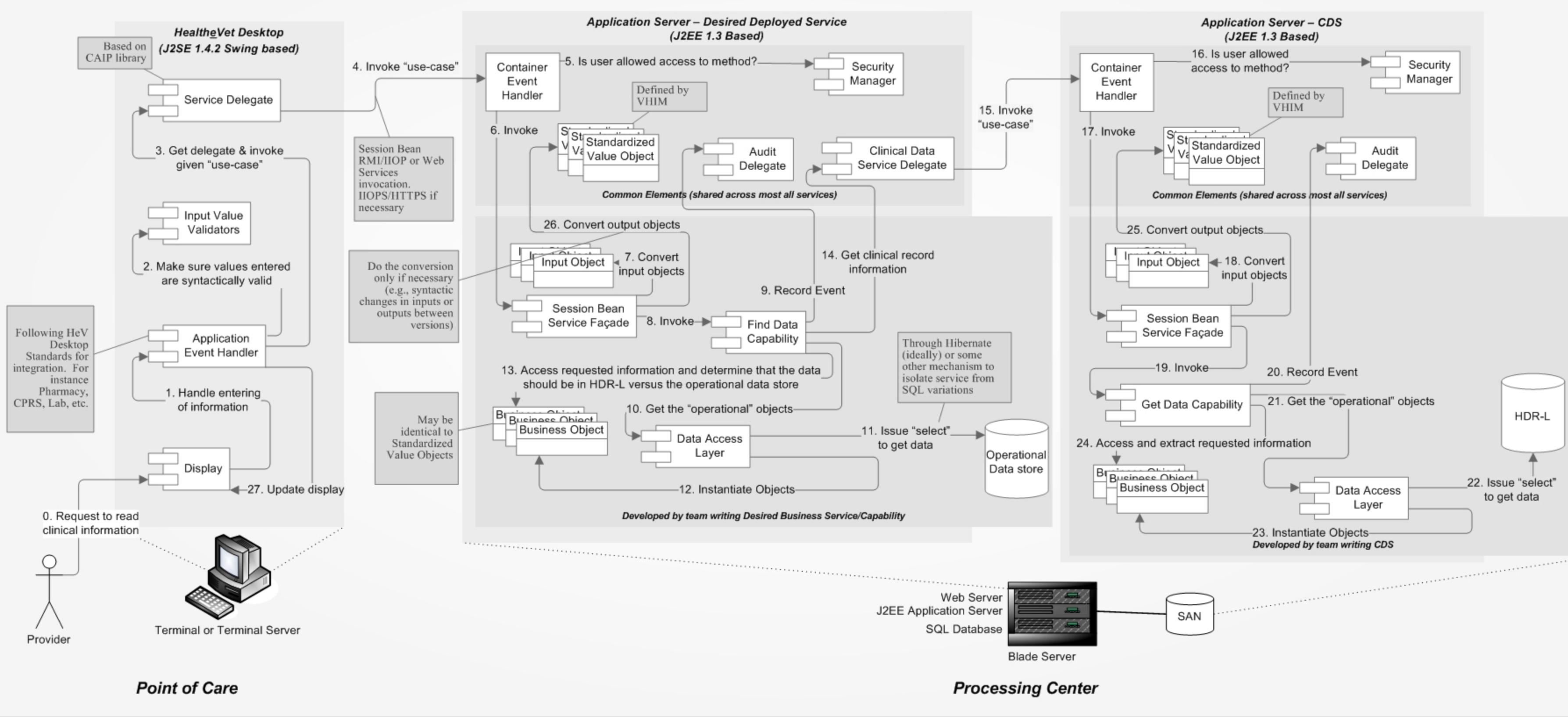
Pane 1: Interactions to Read Clinical Data – Direct Access to Clinical Data Service

Pane One shows the scenario where the caller needs clinical data and is programmed to use CDS to use to locate the information desired versus asking the service that contains the business logic for performing updates to information. An example might be to read signed orders or look at allergies.



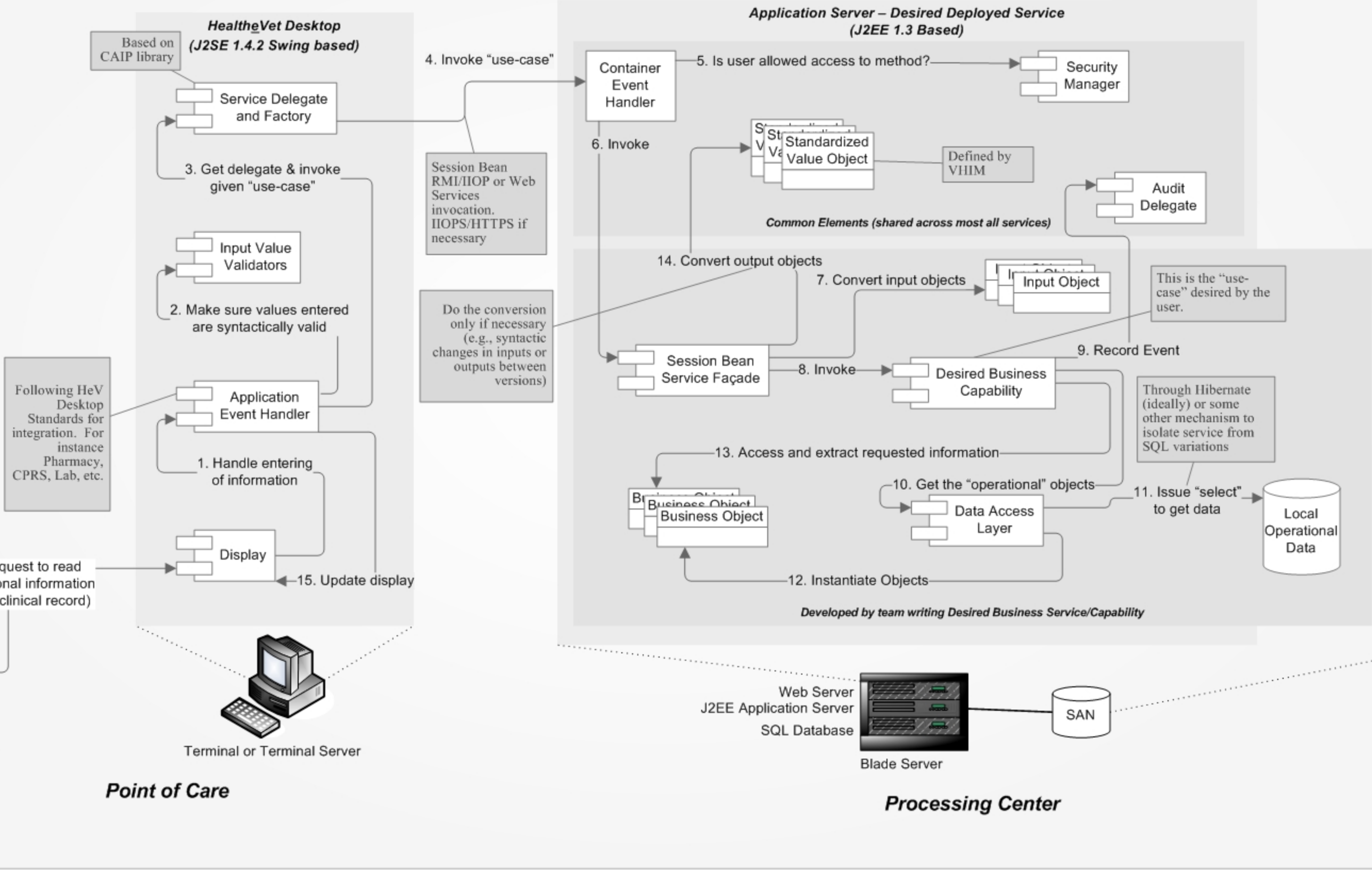
Pane 2: Interactions to Read Clinical Data – Asking the Authoritative Update Service

Pane Two shows the scenario where the caller needs clinical data and is not sure if that information is in CDS or the service that encodes the business logic for updates to that information. In this case the service looks to see if it has the information and if not (or only has part of it) it then asks CDS on behalf of the caller. An example might be to read signed orders or look at allergies.



Pane 3: Interactions to Read Non-Clinical Data (or Data not yet part of the Clinical Record)

Pane Three shows the scenario where the caller needs clinical data and is programmed to use CDS to use to locate the information desired versus asking the service that contains the business logic for performing updates to information. An example might be to read the information about the automated dispensing machine used for filling an order in the pharmacy or read un-released lab results.



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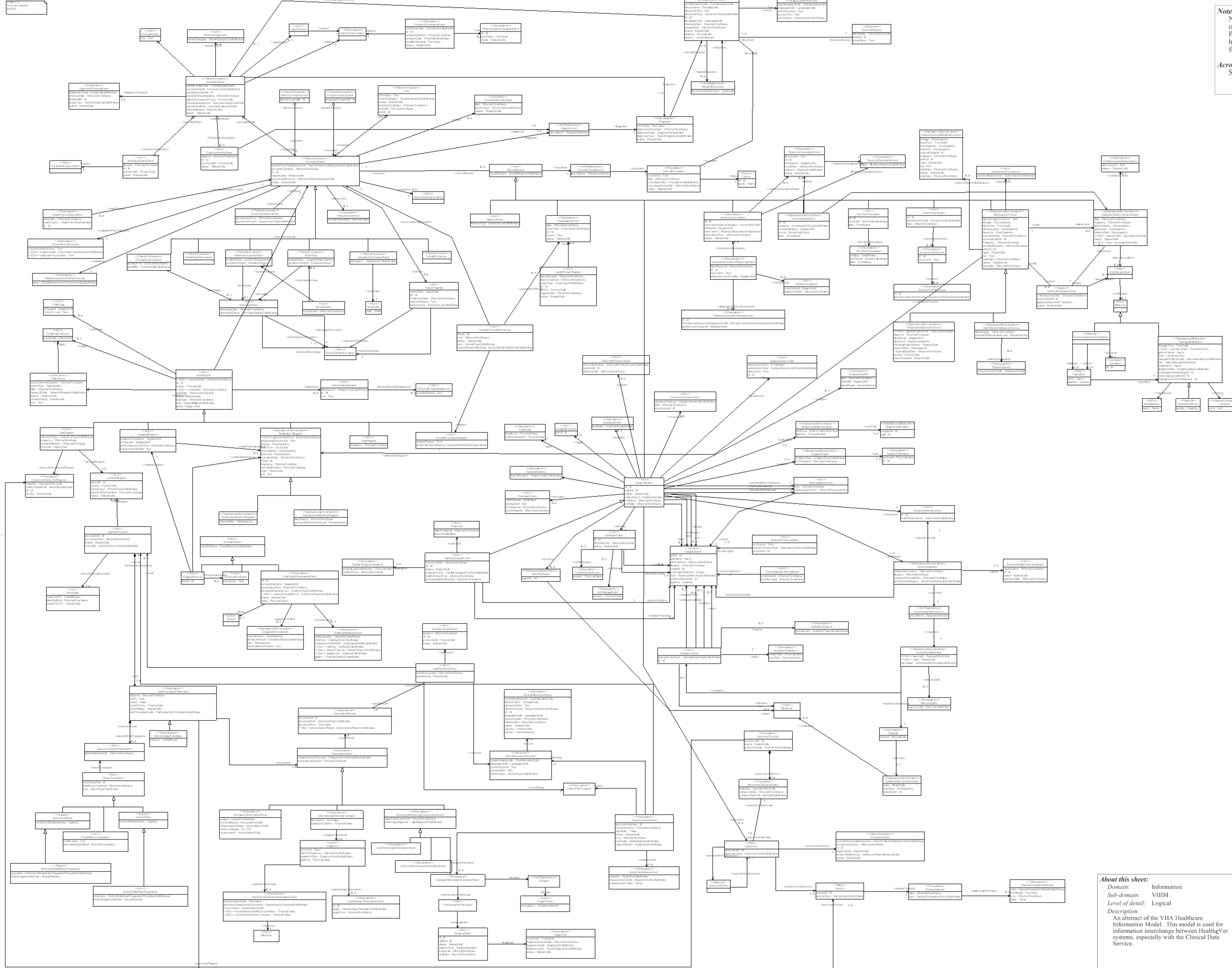
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Notes:
 Note: In order to reduce clutter, this diagram contains only the major clinical classes.
 Please see: <http://vaww.va.gov/vhaea/scripts/vhim.asp> for complete details.

Acronyms and Abbreviations:
 See the model for definitions of the types.



About this sheet:
 Domain: Information
 Sub-domain: VHIM
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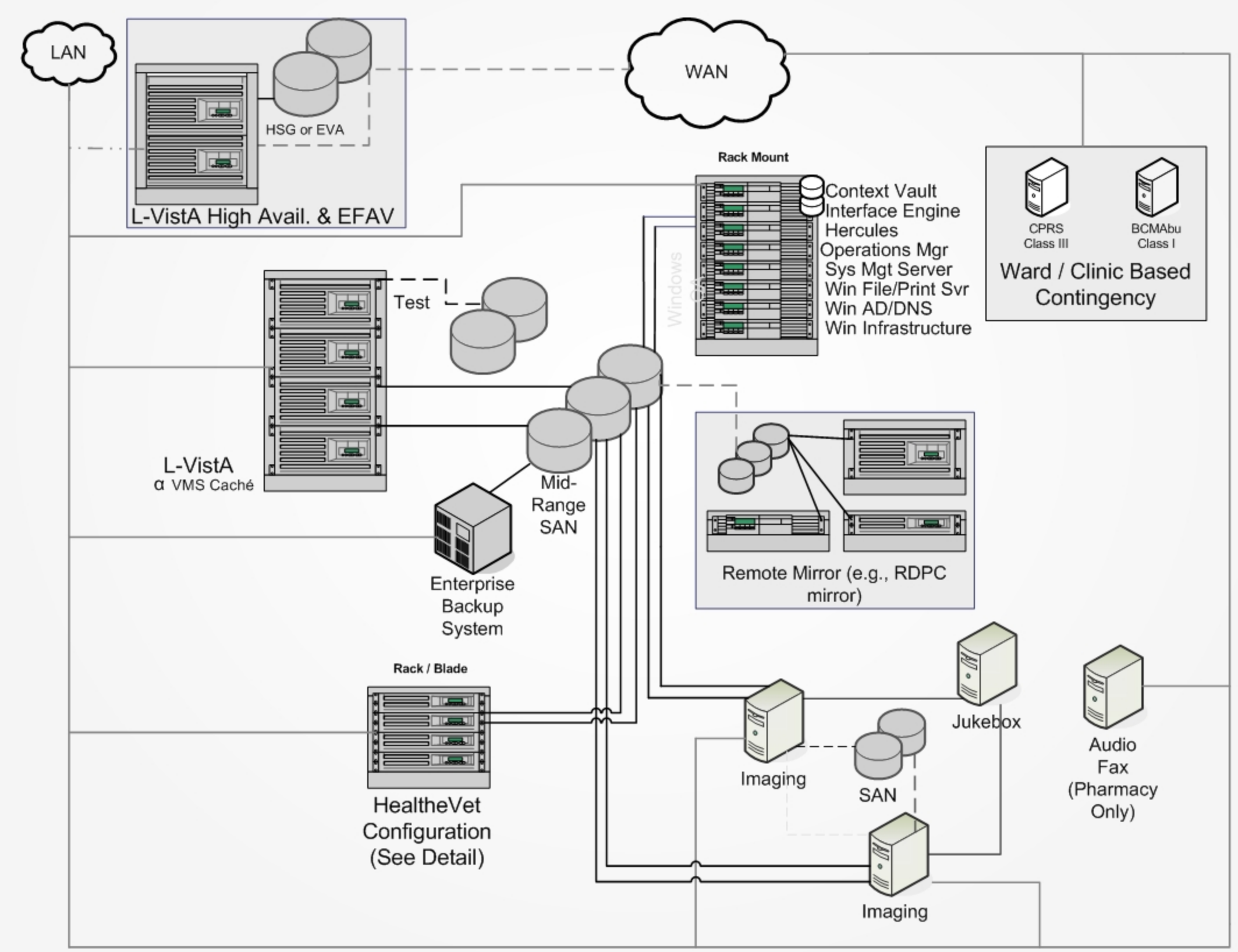
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Acronyms and Abbreviations:
 AD – Active Directory
 BCMABu – Bar Code Medication Administration backup/contingency system
 CPRS-R – Rehosted Computerized Patient Record System
 DNS – Domain Name Service
 EFAV – Enhanced Fail-over Access for Vista
 FC/IP – Fiber Channel over Internet Protocol
 HDR-L – Local Health Data Repository
 LAN – local area network
 L-Vista – Legacy Vista
 OA – Office Automation
 PVP – permanent virtual pipe
 RDPC – Regional Data Processing Center
 SAN – storage area network
 TCP/IP – Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
 VA – Department of Veterans Affairs
 VAMC – Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center
 VISN – Veterans Integrated Service Network
 Vista – Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture
 WAN – wide area network

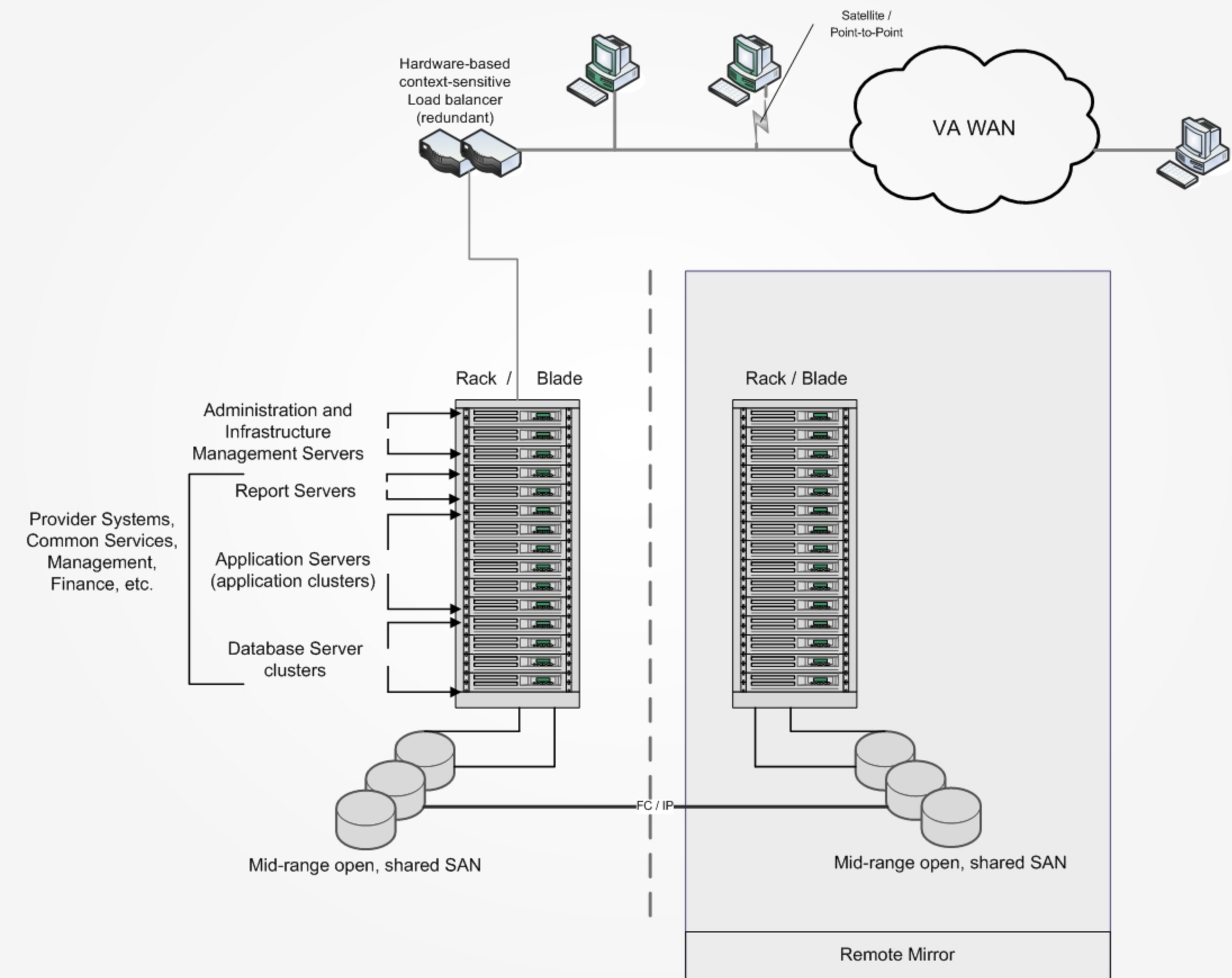
Pane 1: Typical Near-Term Local / Regional Field Configuration

Pane One shows the current network links and general hardware allocation currently in the field or soon to be in the field. This is a short term view of a typical Regional Data Processing Center (RDPC), but also reflects some local sites, and may change as migration progresses.



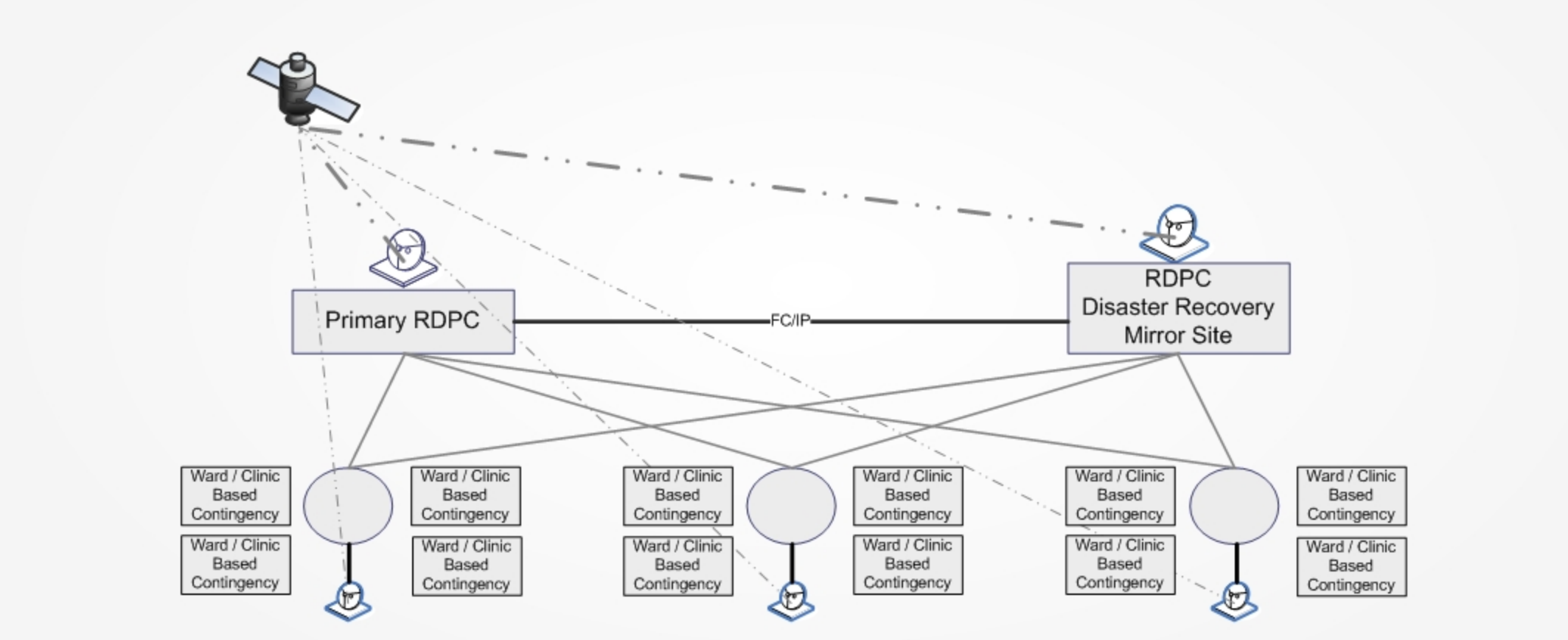
Pane 2: HealtheVet Configuration

Pane Two shows the current network links and general hardware allocation currently in the field or soon to be in the field. This is a short term view and will change as migration progresses.



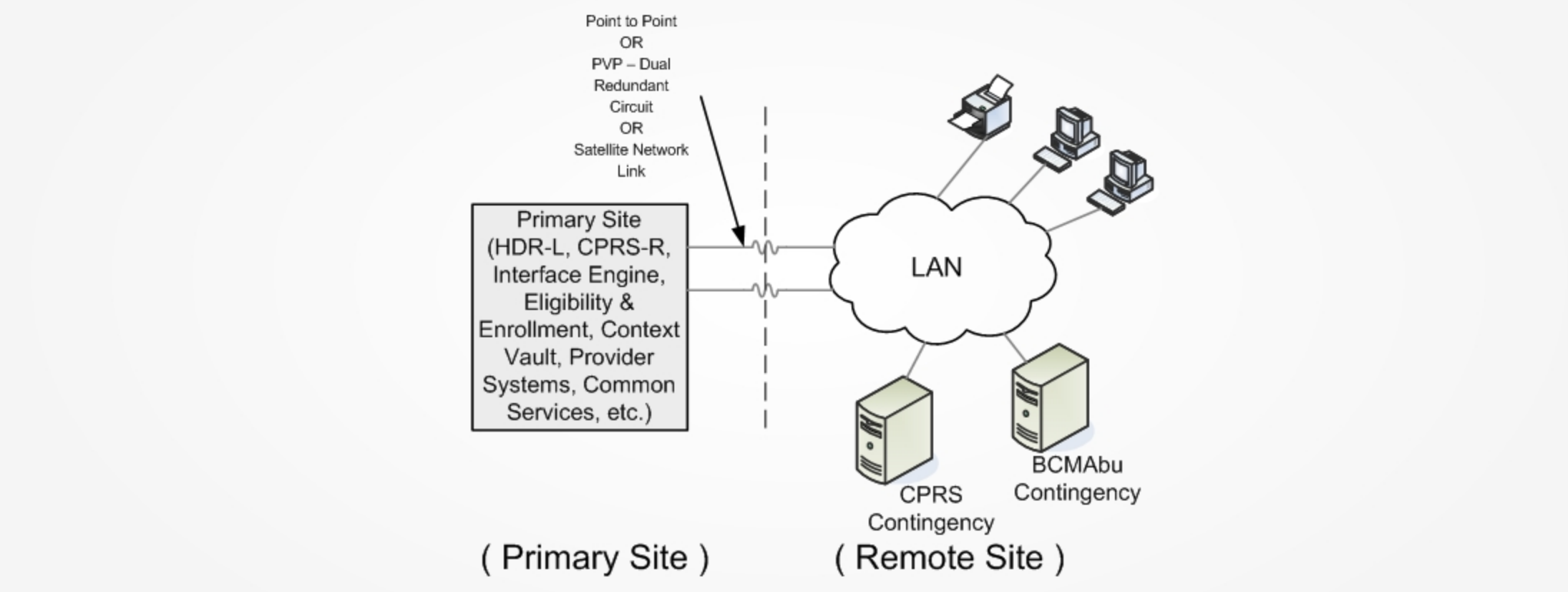
Pane 3: RDPC Contingency & Disaster Recovery Configuration

Pane Three shows a summary view of the network or data center outage response. Traffic will be diverted through alternate communications links and/or to an alternate regional processing center.



Pane 4: Remote Site Configuration

Pane Four shows a summary view of how remote points of care access the processing center.



Legend

Black lines denote physical connections that aren't general purpose communications networks
 Gray lines denote general purpose communications networks (things supporting TCP/IP)

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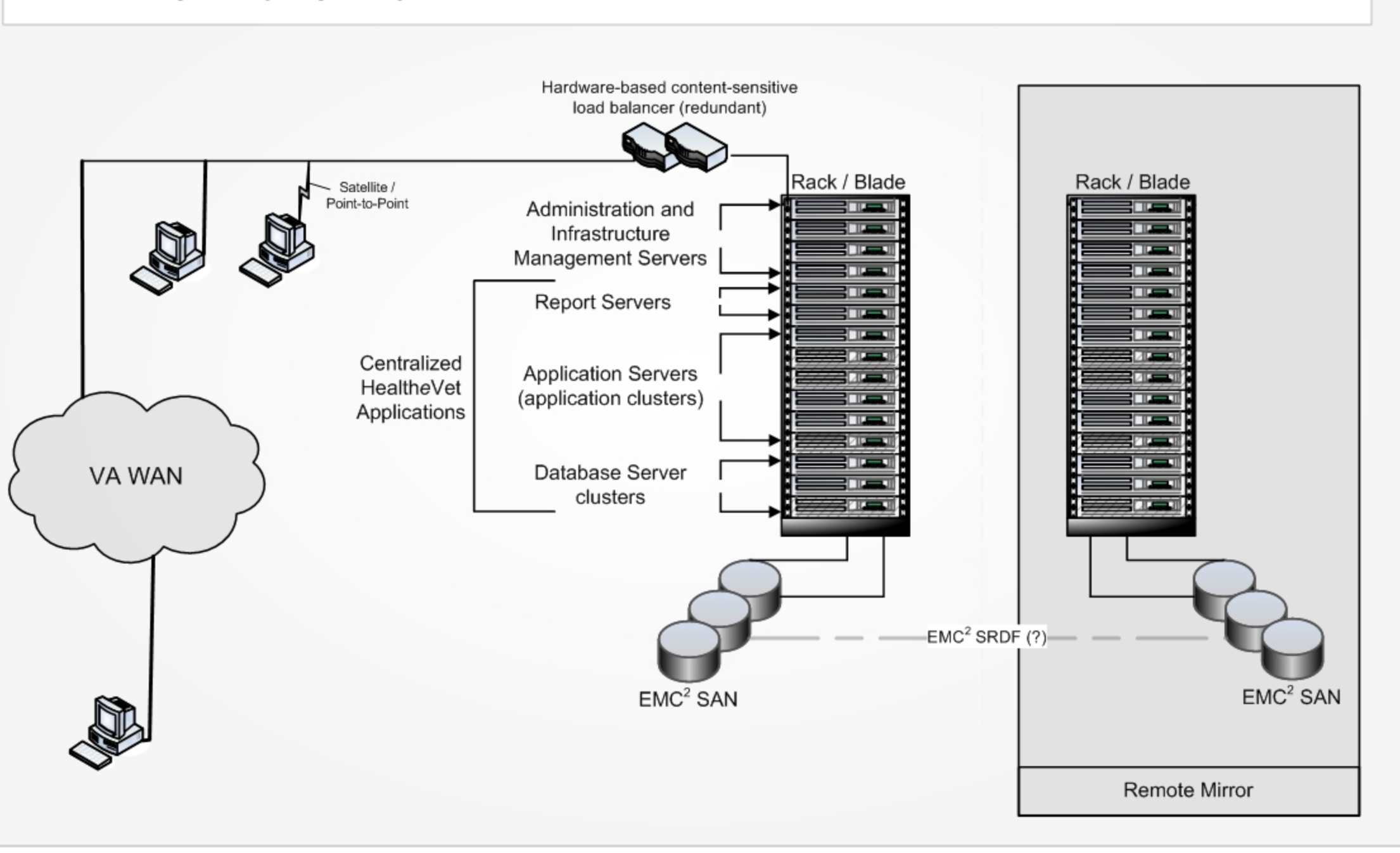
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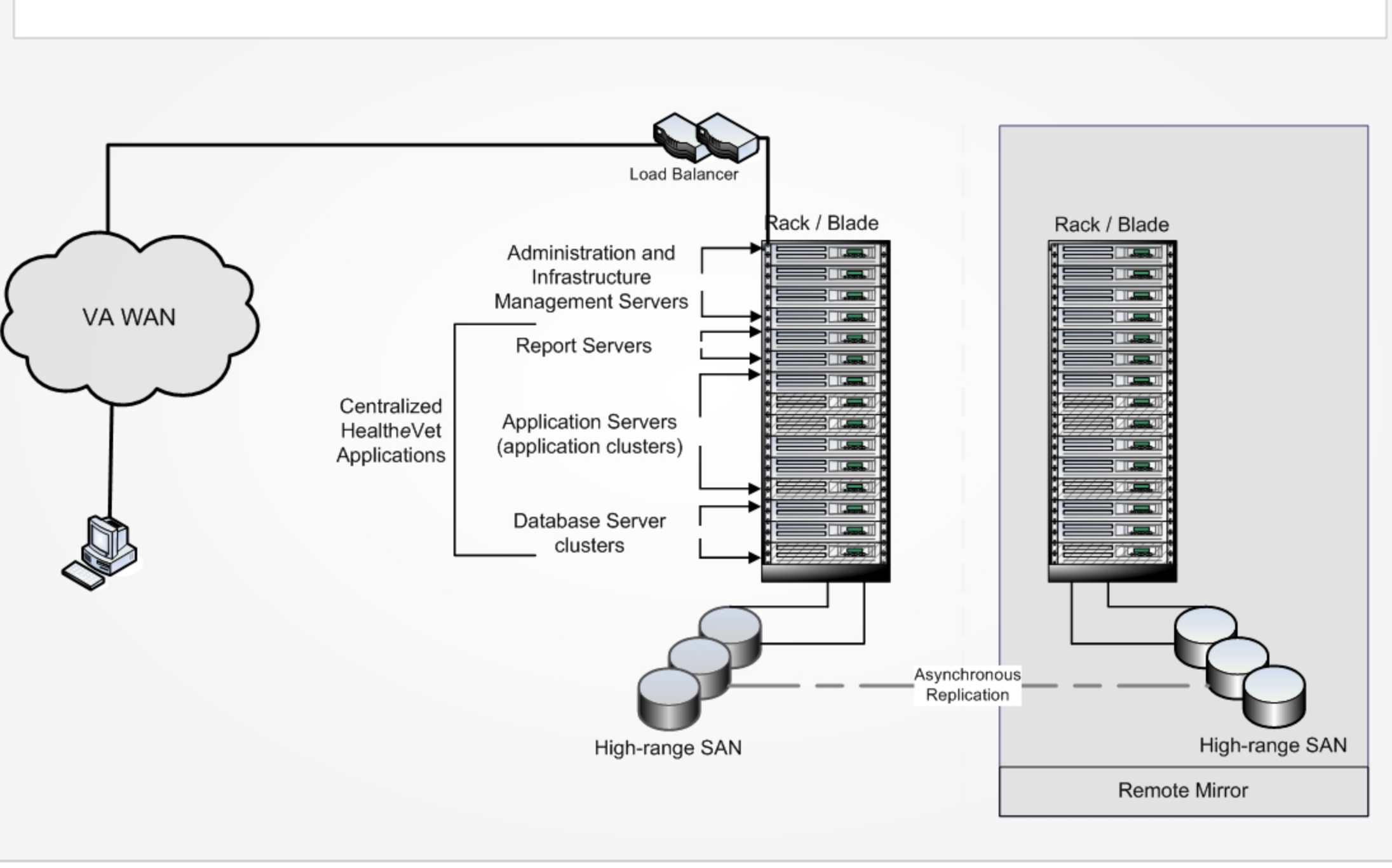
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Pane 1: Tier-1 Regional Processing Center – HealtheVet Configurations

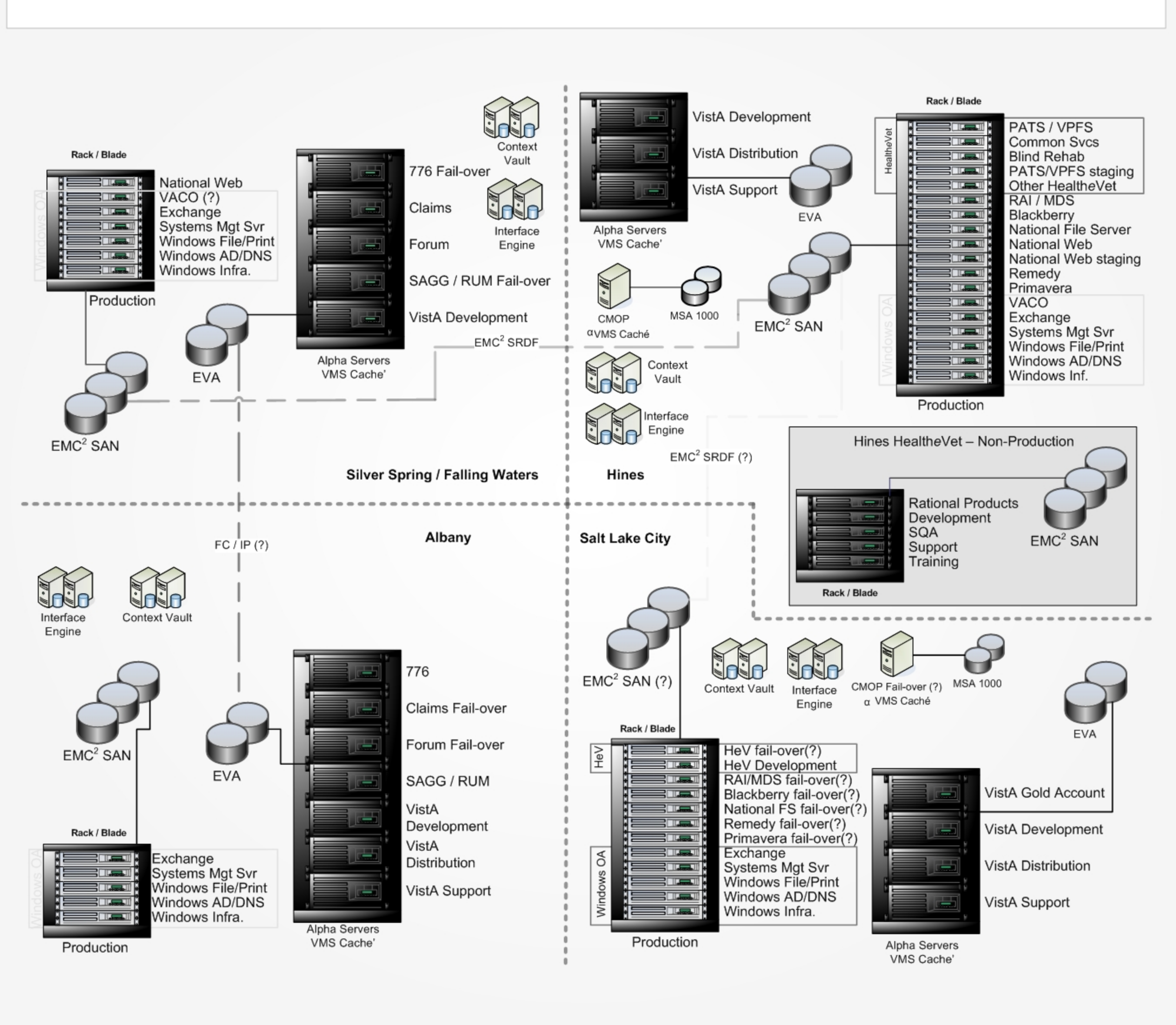


Pane 2: Corporate Data Center – HealtheVet Configurations

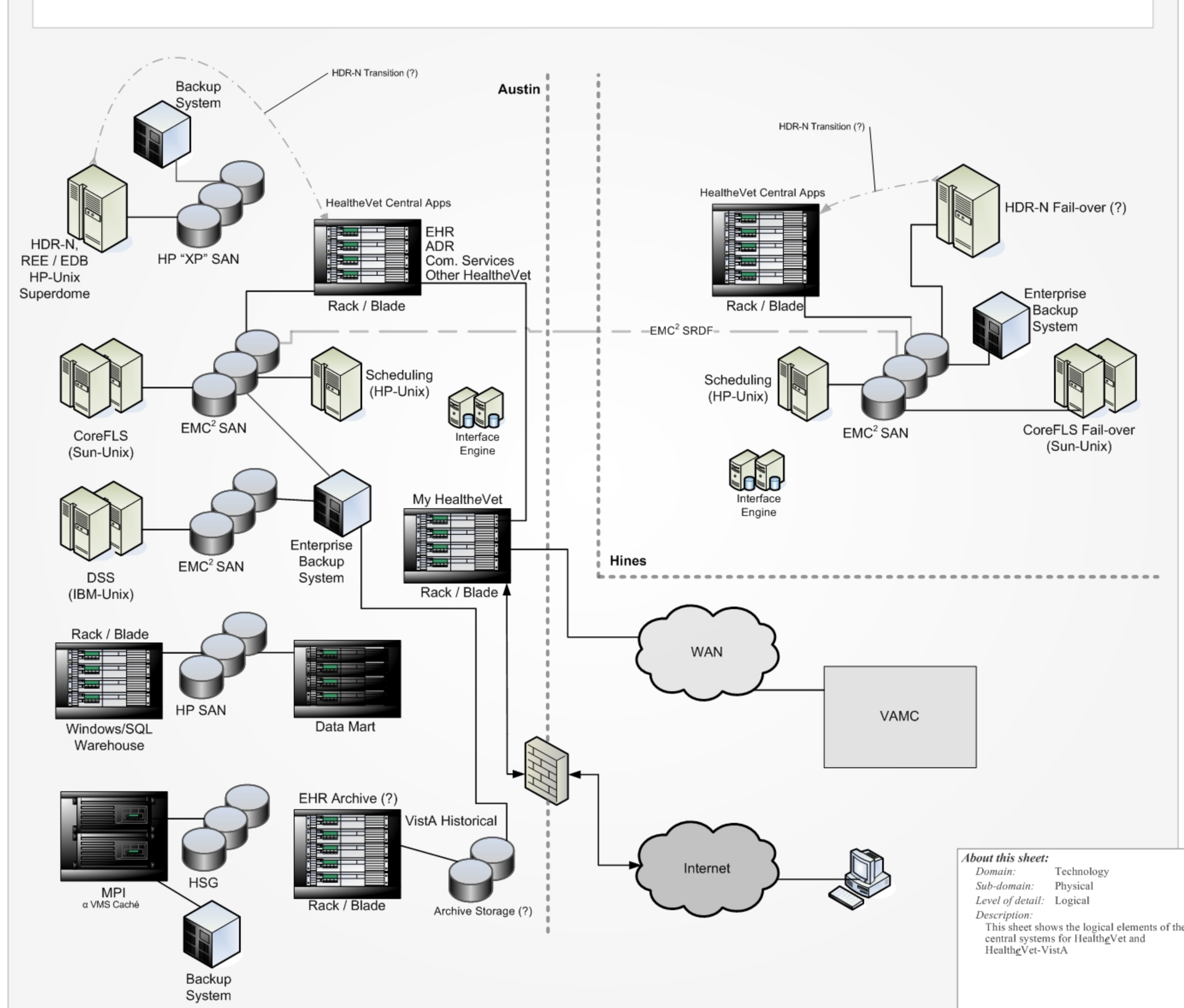


- Acronyms and Abbreviations:**
- AD – Active Directory
 - ADR – Administrative Data Repository
 - CMOP – Consolidated Mail Outpatient Pharmacy
 - CoreFLS – Financial and Logistics System
 - DNS – Domain Name Service
 - DSS – Decision Support System
 - EDB – Enrollment Database
 - EHR – Electronic Health Record
 - FC/IP – Fiber Channel over Internet Protocol
 - FS – File Server
 - HDR-N – National Health Data Repository
 - HeV – HealtheVet
 - HP – Hewlett Packard
 - MPI – Master Patient Index
 - OA – Office Automation
 - PATS – Patient Advocate Tracking System
 - RAI/MDS – Resident Assessment Instrument / Minimum Data Set
 - REE – Registration, Eligibility, & Enrollment
 - RUM – Resource Usage Monitor
 - SAGG – Statistical Analysis Global Growth
 - SAN – storage area network
 - SRDF – Symmetrix Remote Data Facility
 - SQA – Software Quality Assurance
 - SQL – Sequential Query Language
 - VA – Department of Veterans Affairs
 - VACO – VA Central Office
 - VAMC – Veterans Affairs Medical Center
 - Vista – Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture
 - VMS – Virtual Memory System
 - VPFS – Veterans Personal Finance System
 - WAN – Wide Area Network

Pane 3: Tier-1 Regional Processing Center



Pane 4: VA Corporate Data Center Configuration



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Direct dependencies:

U.S. Veterans Health Administration

System: HealtheVet

Drawing:

Centralized Physical Configuration

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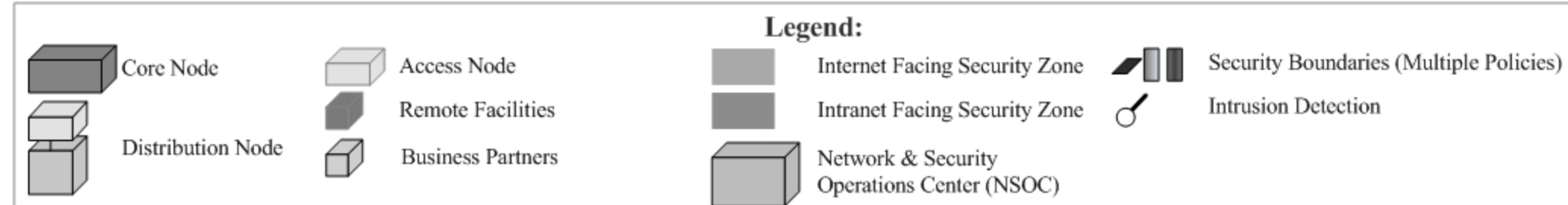
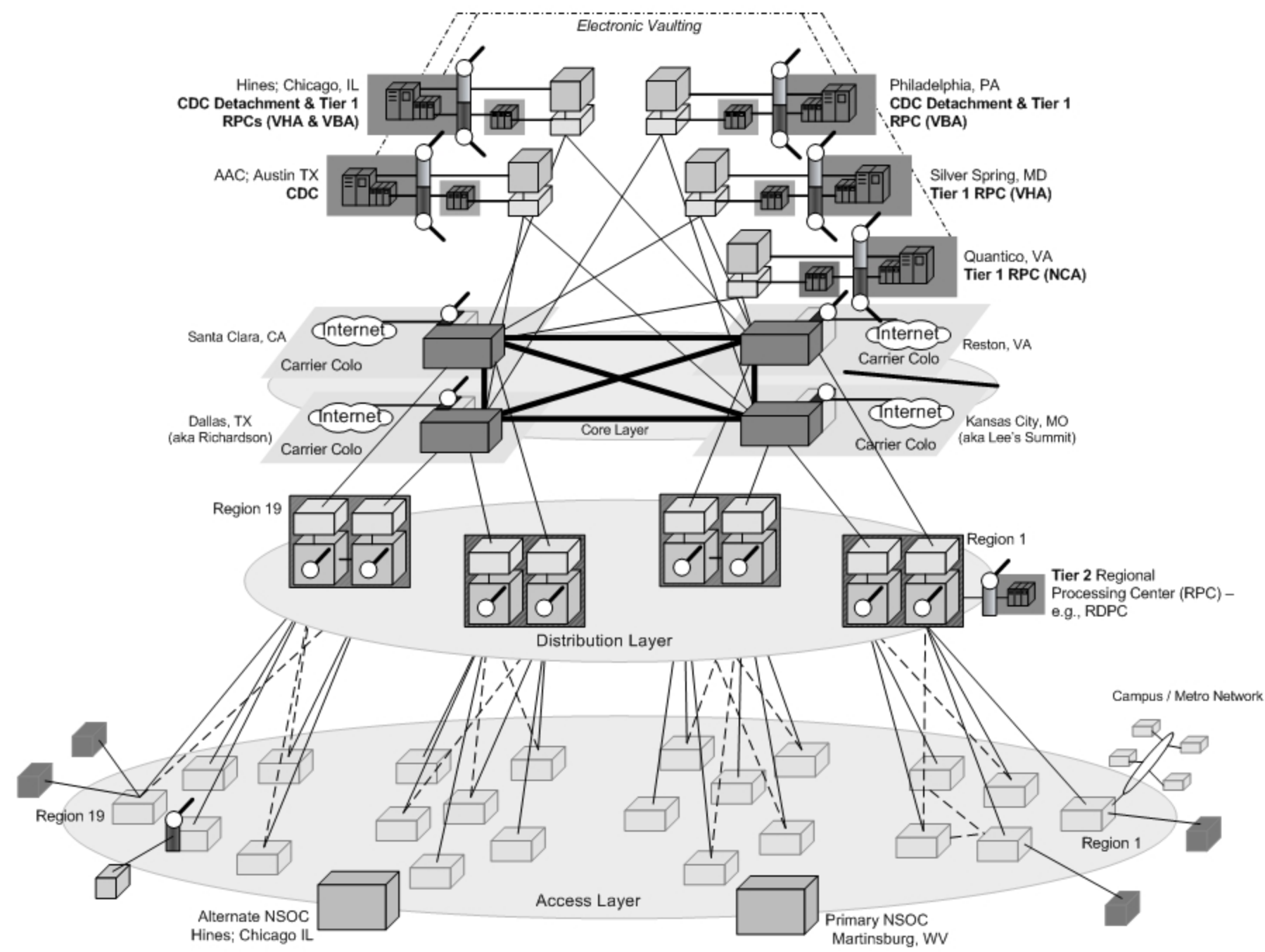
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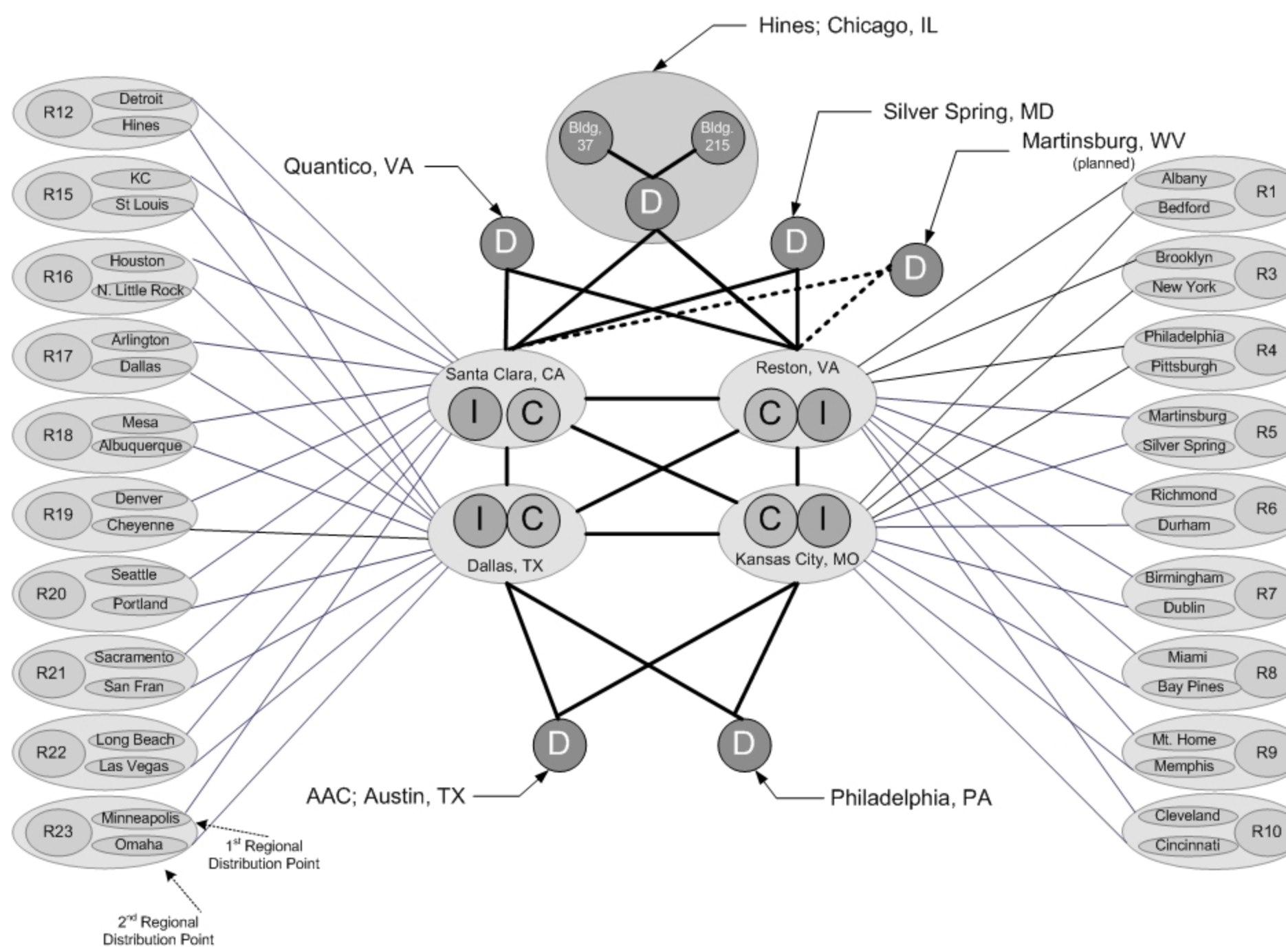
Description: This sheet shows the logical elements of the central systems for HealtheVet and HealtheVet-Vista

Acronyms and Abbreviations:
 Aka – Also known as
 Bldg – Building
 CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 MLO – Minimum Level of Operations (VISN collocated data center)
 NSOC – Network and Security Operations Center
 RDPC – Regional Data Processing Center
 RPC – Regional Processing Center
 TBD – To be determined
 TMP – Telecommunications Modernization Project
 VAMC – VA Medical Center
 VISN – Veterans Integrated Service Network
 WAN – Wide area network

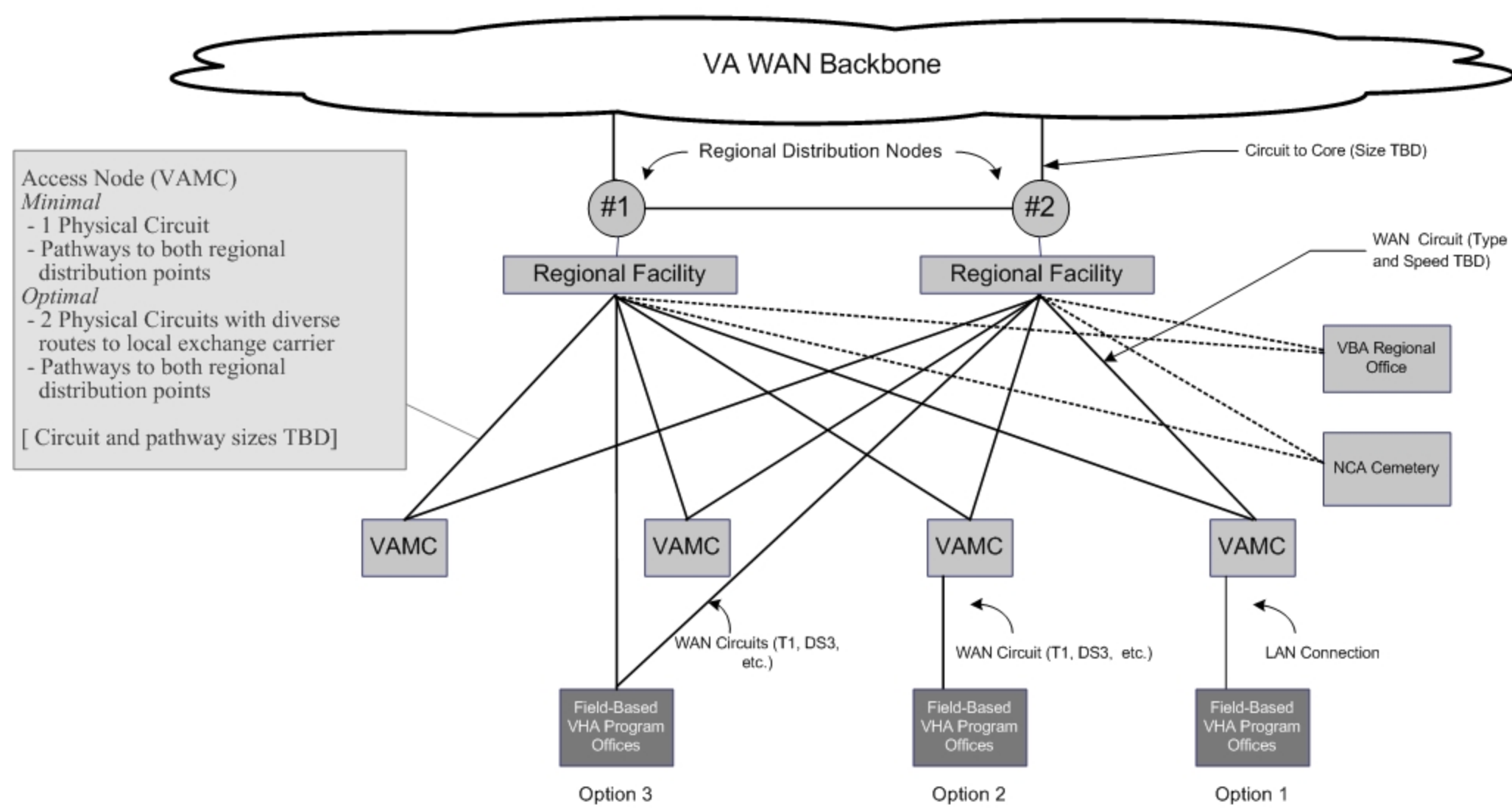
Pane One: One-VA Physical Infrastructure Design



Pane Two: VA WAN Backbone

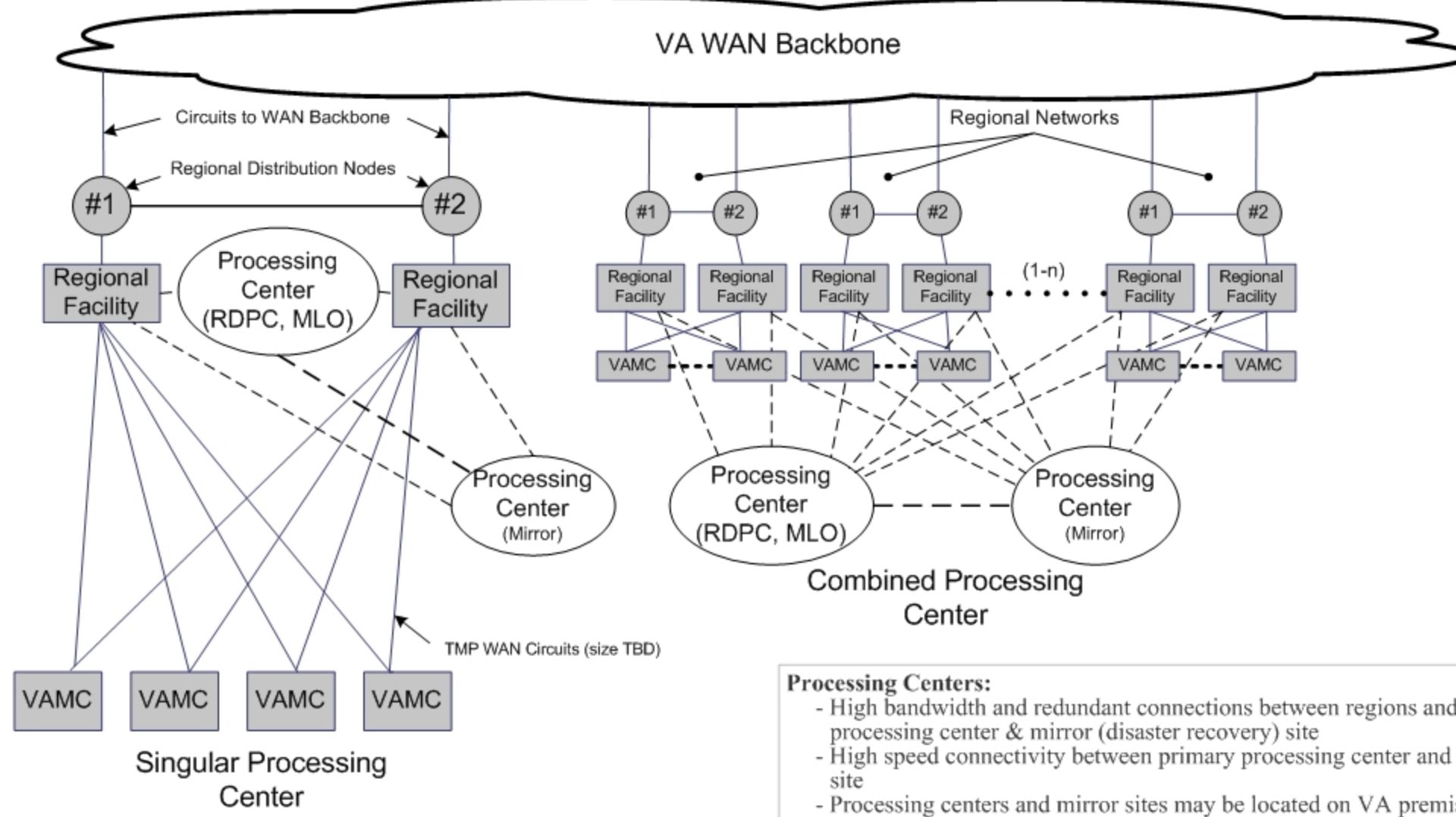


Pane Three: Regional WAN and VISN Connectivity



Access Node (VAMC)
Minimal
 - 1 Physical Circuit
 - Pathways to both regional distribution points
Optimal
 - 2 Physical Circuits with diverse routes to local exchange carrier
 - Pathways to both regional distribution points
 [Circuit and pathway sizes TBD]

Pane Four: Regional WAN and Processing Center Connectivity



Processing Centers:

- High bandwidth and redundant connections between regions and processing center & mirror (disaster recovery) site
- High speed connectivity between primary processing center and mirror site
- Processing centers and mirror sites may be located on VA premises or off-site at contracted facilities
- Processing centers and mirror sites may be shared across regional and VISN boundaries (RDPC options)
- Connectivity from to processing centers (& mirror sites) generally done via dedicated (i.e., not TMP) circuits/pathways

Direct co-dependencies:
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Direct dependencies:
 System: HealthVet
 Drawing: Telecommunication Physical Infrastructure

About this sheet:
 Domain: Technology
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 Description: This sheet shows the logical telecommunications links and architecture in support of HealthVet.

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**West Coast RDPC
Demonstration Pilot -
VISNs 20, 21, & 22**

**North-East RDPC
Demonstration Pilot -
VISNs 1, 2, 3, & 4**



Notes:
Please note that the below maps are not to scale. All core WAN locations are directly interconnected. All national data centers (C-DC, VA-DC, DPC) may have direct WAN circuits to all four VA WAN backbone sites.

Core VA WAN Backbone Locations
Dallas, TX (aka Richardson)
Kansas City, MO (aka Lee's Summit)
Reston, VA
Santa Clara, CA

Primary RDPC Locations
Brooklyn VAMC
Sacramento leased space (Herackles)

Interim RDPC Locations
Philadelphia VAMC (moves to Philadelphia DPC)
Sacramento VAMC (moves to leased space within 1,000 miles)

Primary VA Corporate Data Center Location
Austin Automation Center

Secondary VA Corporate Data Centers
Hines VBA (building 215)
Philadelphia DPC (for VBA)

Central Data Center Locations
Falling Waters (leased space)
Hines OIFO (building 37)
Silver Spring OIFO

Primary MLO Locations
Arlington (leased space)
Bay Pines VAMC
Cleveland VAMC
Detroit VAMC
Dublin VAMC
Kansas City VAMC
Martinsburg VAMC
Mesa Regional Office
Milwaukee VAMC
Minneapolis VAMC
Mountain Home VAMC
North Little Rock Regional Office
Richmond VAMC

Secondary MLO Locations
Ann Arbor VAMC
Augusta VAMC
Dayton VAMC
Durham VAMC (may move to leased space in Durham)
Falling Waters DPC (leased space)
Hines VBA (building 215)
Houston VAMC
Minneapolis (leased space in Plymouth)
Nashville VAMC
Phoenix (leased space)
Plano (leased space)
Saint Louis VAMC

Long-Term Secondary MLO Location
Orlando VAMC (may be leased space)

Possible MLO Locations
Denver (leased space)
Salt Lake City VAMC

Primary or Secondary MLO Location
Denver VAMC

Acronyms and Abbreviations:
C-DC - Central data center
DC - Data center
DPC - Data processing center
MLO - Minimum level of operations (collocated VISN data center)
OIFO - Office of Information Field Office
RDPC - Regional Data Processing Center
VA-DC - VA corporate data center
VAMC - VA Medical Center
VBA - Veterans Benefit Administration
VISN - Veterans Integrated Service Network
WAN - Wide area network

Legend

- Core VA WAN Backbone Location
- Primary RDPC Location
- Possible Secondary RDPC Location
- Interim RDPC Location
- Primary MLO Location
- Secondary MLO Location
- Long-Term Secondary MLO Location
- Primary or Secondary MLO Location
- Possible Secondary MLO Location
- Primary VA Corporate DC Location
- Central DC Location
- Secondary MLO / Secondary VA Corporate DC Location
- State Boundary
- VISN Boundary
- Direct/near-direct WAN circuit
- Intervening demarcation site on WAN circuit path

About this sheet:
Domain: Technology
Sub-domain: Physical
Level of detail: Logical
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System: HealthVet
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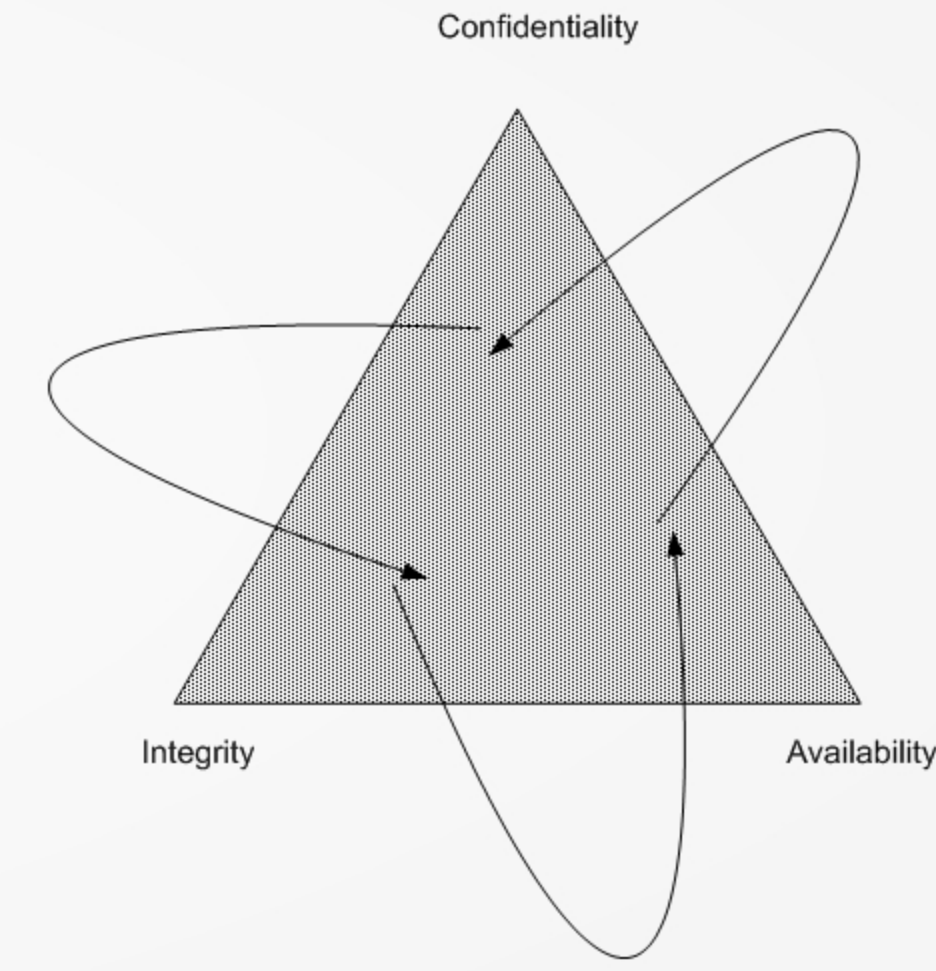
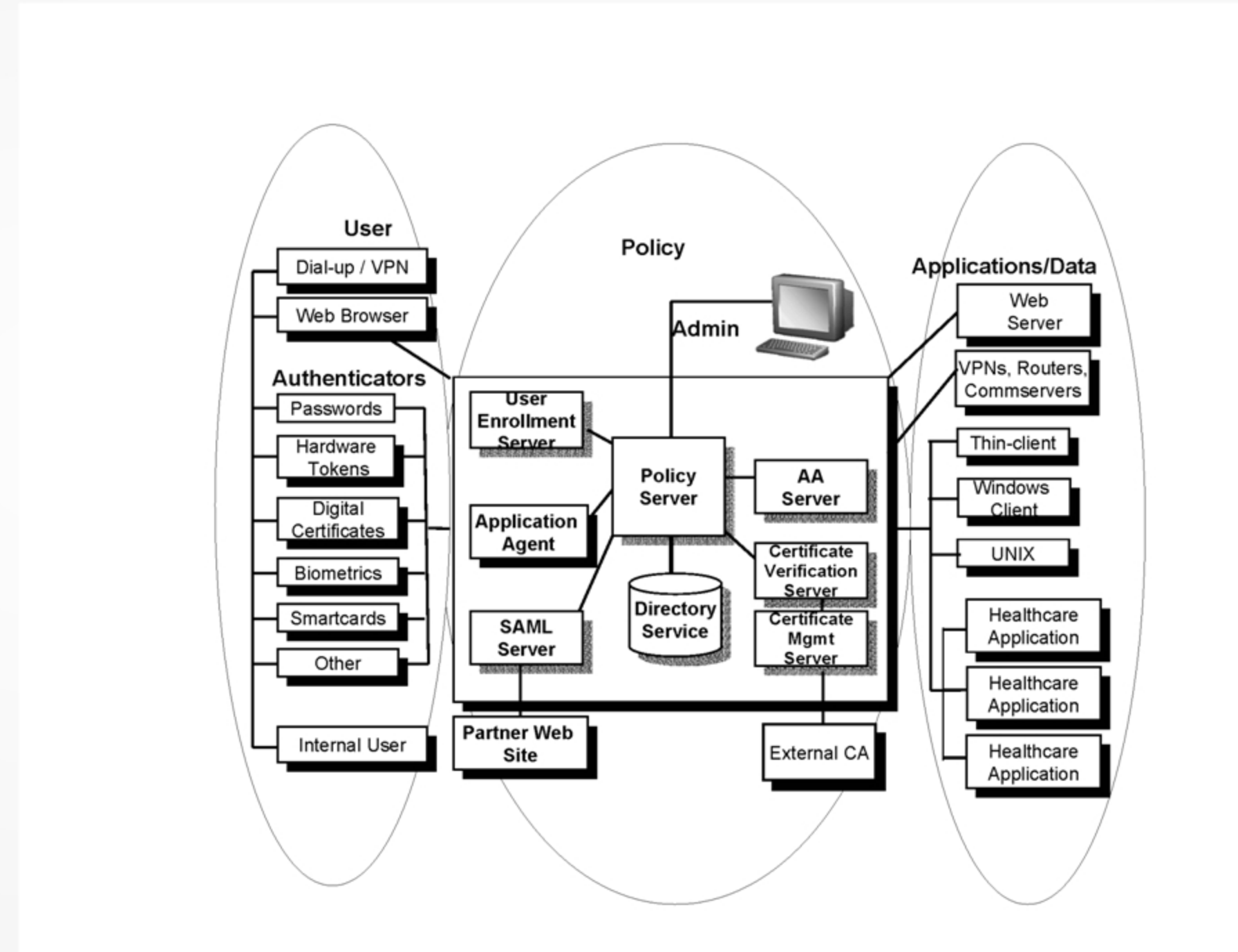
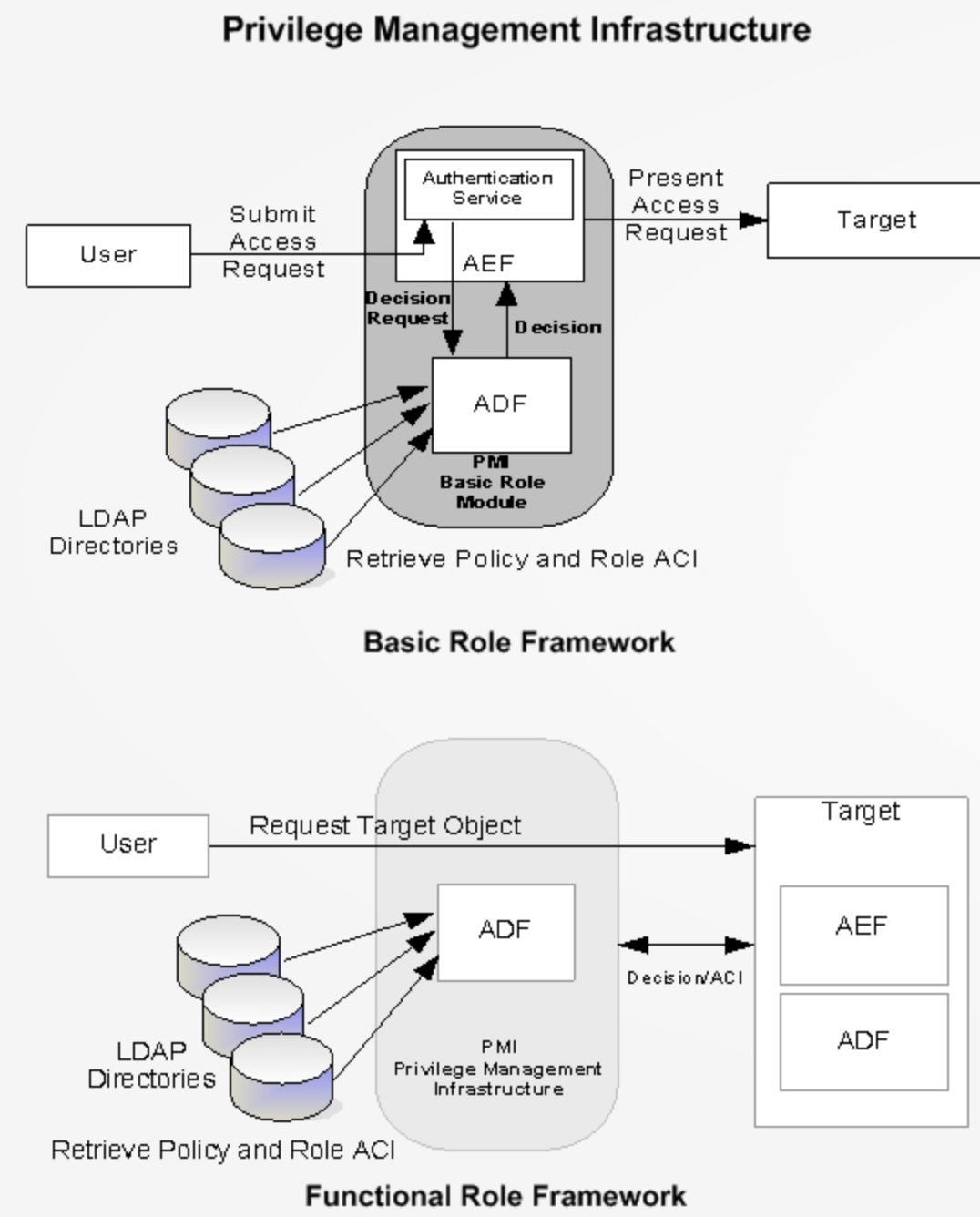
Proposed 2007 Data Center Topology

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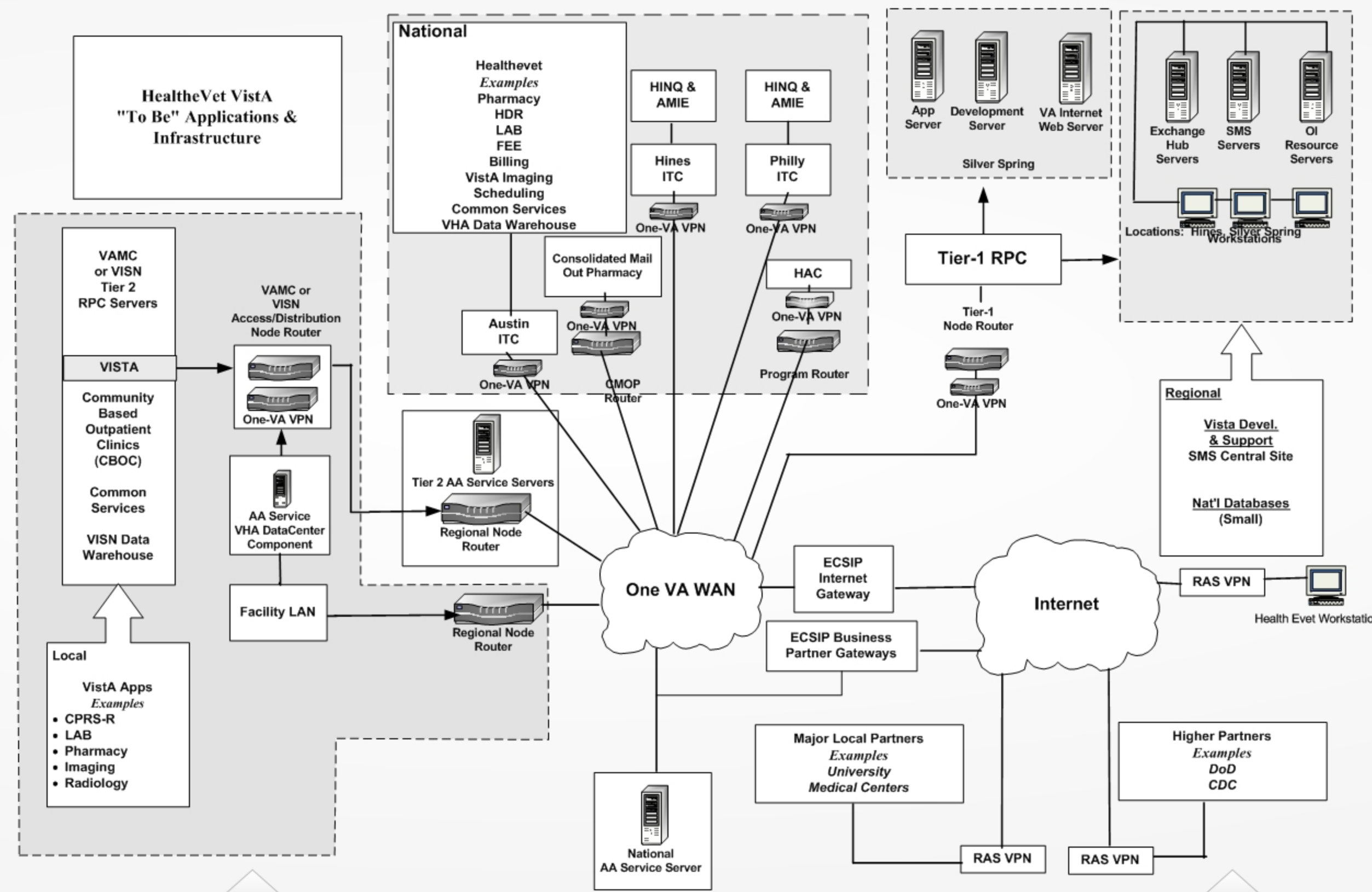
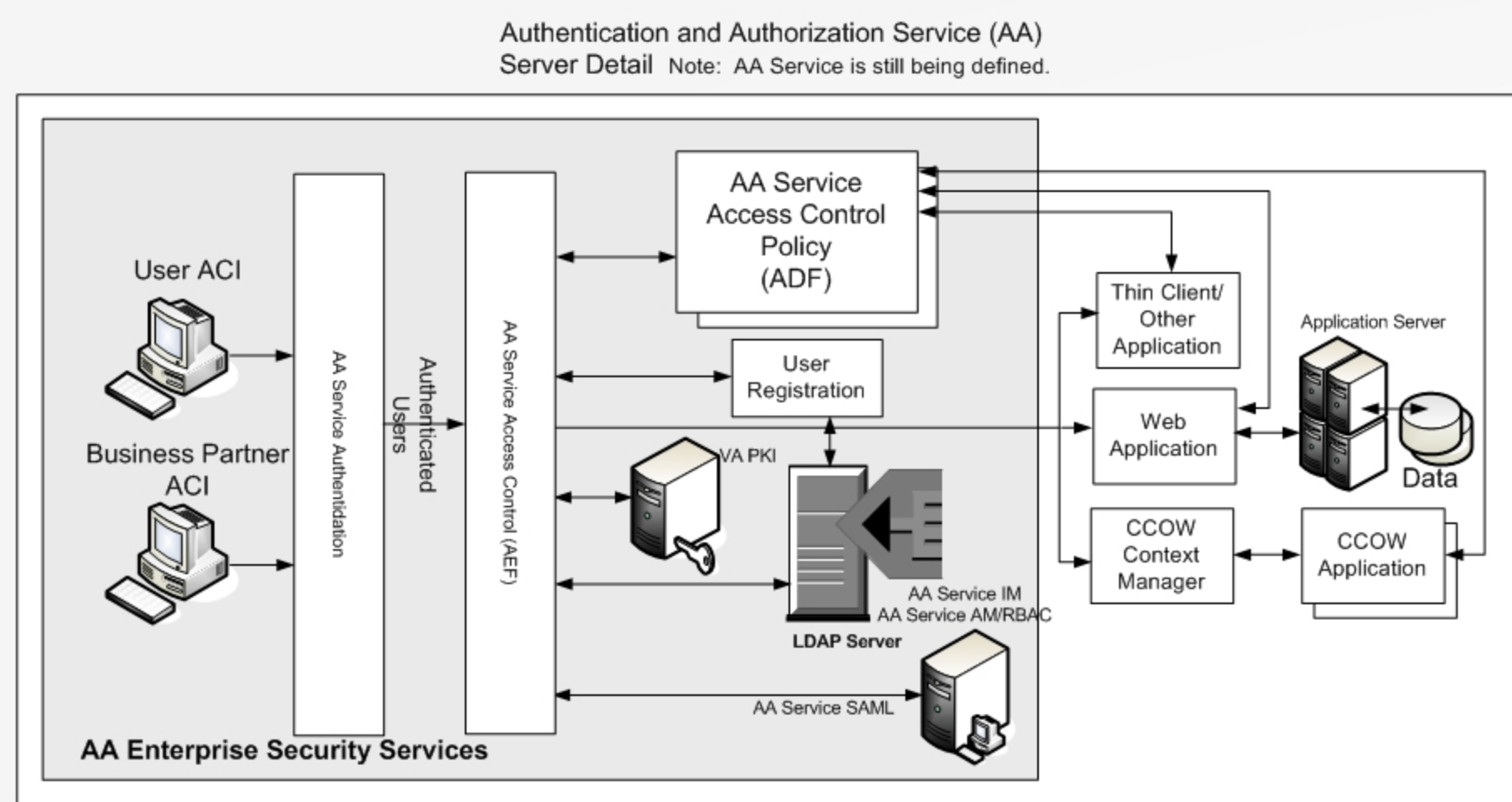
Pane 1: Framework View

The Framework View establishes the scope model for the security architecture. It establishes the high-level context for security of interest to planners.



Pane 2: System View

The System View focuses on technical aspects of the security architecture. It establishes the methods, specifications, system diagrams and high-level design of the security architecture. This view is still an architectural model and not an "as-built" or implementation view.



Security Services by Layer

OSI Layers	Security Services	TCP/IP Layers
Layer 7: Application	Peer Entity/Data Origin Authentication Access Control Service Connection/Connectionless Confidentiality Selective Field/Traffic Flow Confidentiality Connection Integrity With/Without recovery Selective Field Connection Integrity Connectionless Integrity Selective Field Connectionless Integrity Non-repudiation, Origin/Delivery	Application
Layer 6: Presentation	Connection/Connectionless Confidentiality Selective Field Confidentiality	
Layer 5: Session		
Layer 4: Transport	Peer Entity/Data Origin Authentication Access Control Service Connection/Connectionless Confidentiality Connection Integrity With/Without recovery Connectionless Integrity	Transport (TCP)
Layer 3: Network	Peer Entity/Data Origin Authentication Access Control Service Traffic Flow Confidentiality Connection Integrity Without recovery Connectionless Integrity	Internet (IP)
Layer 2: Data Link	Connection/Connectionless Confidentiality	Data Link
Layer 1: Physical	Connection Confidentiality Traffic Flow Confidentiality	Physical

Vertical arrows on the left and right indicate "Greater Service Assurance" (downward) and "Greater Granularity of Control" (upward).

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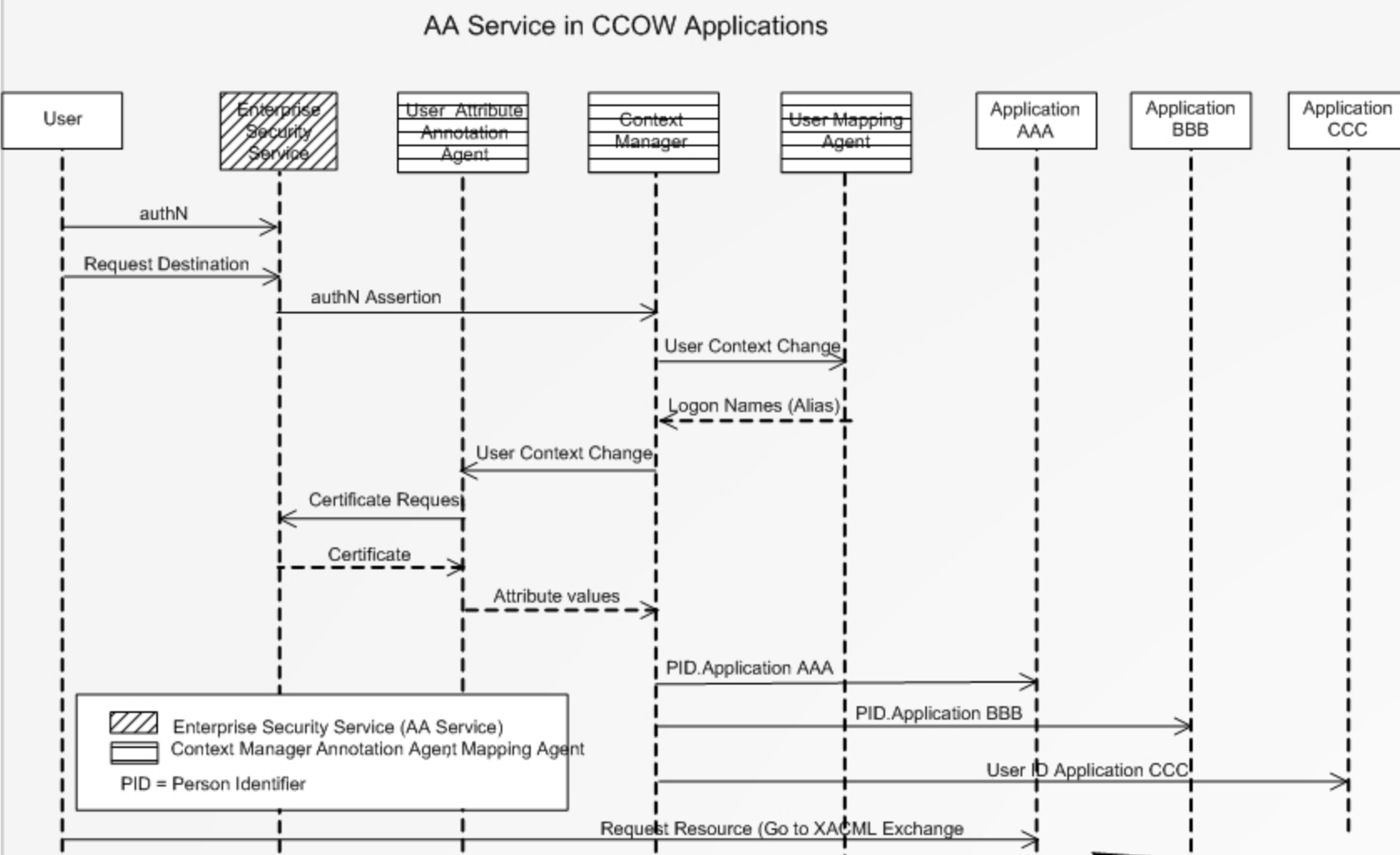
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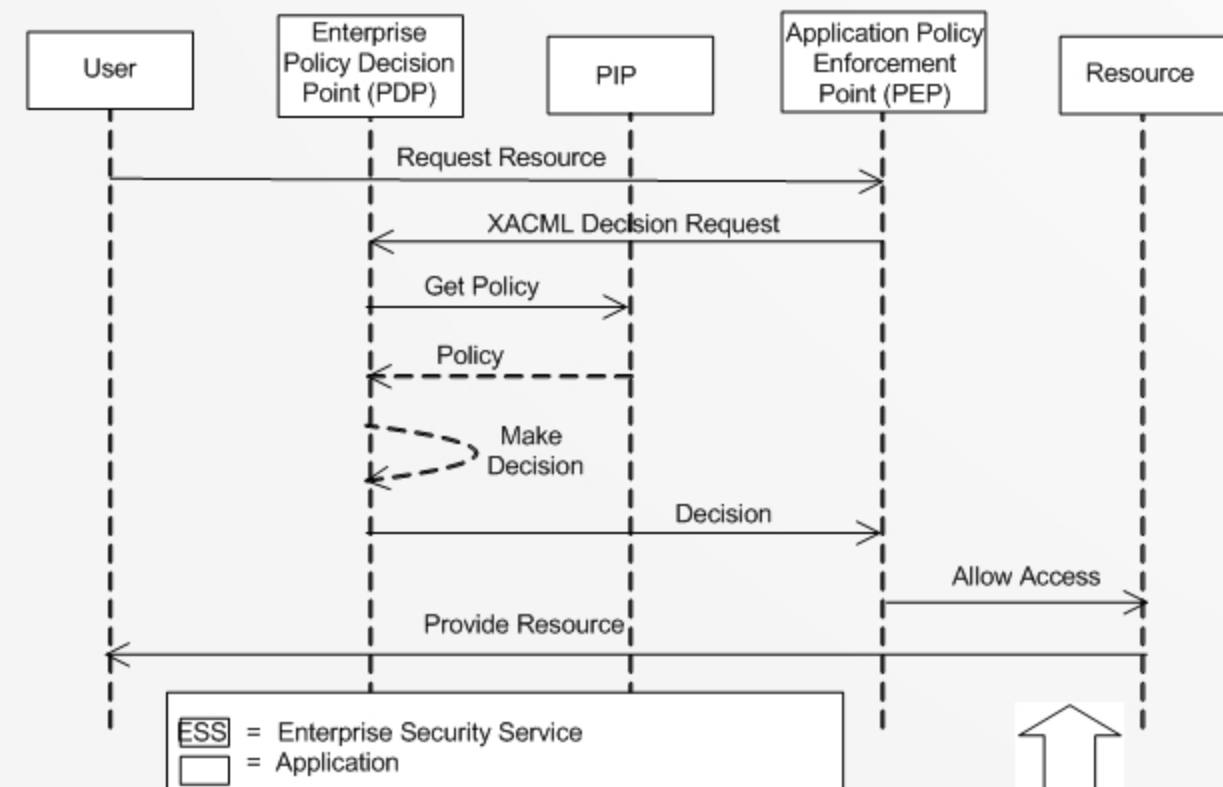
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The Developer View is constrained by the Framework and System Views. It identifies specific technologies, tools, products and services to be employed in any instantiation of the design as conceived by the developers. It also contains specific use cases and flow diagrams to explain the interaction of system components.

- Acronyms and Abbreviations:**
- AA - Authentication and Authorization
 - AA Service - Authentication and Authorization Service
 - ACI - Access Control Information
 - ADF - Access Control Decision Function
 - AEF - Access Control Enforcement Function
 - AMIE - Automated Medical Information Exchange
 - API - Application Programmer Interface
 - CA - Certification Authority
 - CAIP - Cross-Application Integration Protocol
 - CBAC - CBAC Context-Based Access Control
 - CBOC - Community Based Outpatient Clinic
 - CCOW - Clinical Context Object Workshop
 - CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - CIRC - Computer Incident Response Capability
 - CIRT - Computer Incident Response Team
 - CMOP - Computerized Mail Outpatient Pharmacy
 - COO - Continuity of Operations
 - CPRS-R - Computerized Patient Record System-Re-Engineering
 - CRC - Cyclic Redundancy Check
 - CSS - Cascading Style Sheets
 - DDL - Data Definition Language
 - DHTML - Dynamic HyperText Markup Language
 - DoD - Department of Defense
 - DSIG - Digital Signature
 - EBAC - Entity-Based Access Control
 - ECSIP - Enterprise Cyber Security Infrastructure Project
 - EJB - Enterprise Java Bean
 - ENC - Encoding
 - FEE - Fee Basis
 - GIF - Graphics Interchange Format
 - HAC - Health Administration Center
 - HDR - Health Data Repository
 - HINQ - Hospital Inquiry
 - HQL - Hibernate Query Language
 - HTML - HyperText Markup Language
 - HTTPS - HyperText Transfer Protocol (Secure)
 - HW - Hardware
 - I&A - Identification and Authentication
 - IDS - Intrusion Detection System
 - IP - Internet Protocol
 - IPSEC - IP Security Protocol
 - ITC - Information Technology Conference
 - J2SE - Java 2 Platform, Standard Edition
 - JAAS - Java Authentication and Authorization Service
 - JDBC - Java Database Connectivity
 - JMS - Java Messaging Service
 - JPEG - Joint Pictures Expert Group
 - JSPs - Java Server Pages
 - LAN - Local Area Network
 - LDAP - Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
 - LRA - Local Registration Authority
 - MAC - Message Authentication Code
 - MIB - Management Information Base
 - OSI - Open System Interconnect
 - OSS - Open Source Software
 - PIP - Policy Information Provider
 - PKI - Public Key Infrastructure
 - PMI - Privilege Management Infrastructure
 - PNG - Portable Network Graphics
 - POJO - Plain Old Java Object
 - QBC - Query By Criteria (Hibernate related)
 - RAID - Redundant Array of Independent Disks
 - RAS - Remote Access Services
 - RBAC - Role-Based Access Control
 - RMI - Remote Method Invocation
 - RPC - Remote Procedure Call
 - SAML - Security Assertion Markup Language
 - SMS - System Management Server
 - SOAP - Simple Object Access Protocol
 - SQL - Structured Query Language
 - SSL/TLS - Secure Sockets Layer/Transport Layer Security
 - SSO - Single Sign On
 - SW - Software
 - TCP - Transmission Control Protocol
 - UPS - Uninterruptible Power Supply
 - VAMC - Veterans Administration Medical Center
 - VISN - Veterans Integrated Service Networks
 - Vista - VA Information Systems and Technology Architecture
 - VPID - VA Person ID
 - VPN - Virtual Private Network
 - WAN - Wide Area Network
 - WS - Web Service
 - XACML - Extensible Access Control Markup Language
 - XKMS - XML Key Management Specification
 - XML - eXtensible Markup Language
 - XSLT - eXtensible Stylesheet Language Transformations

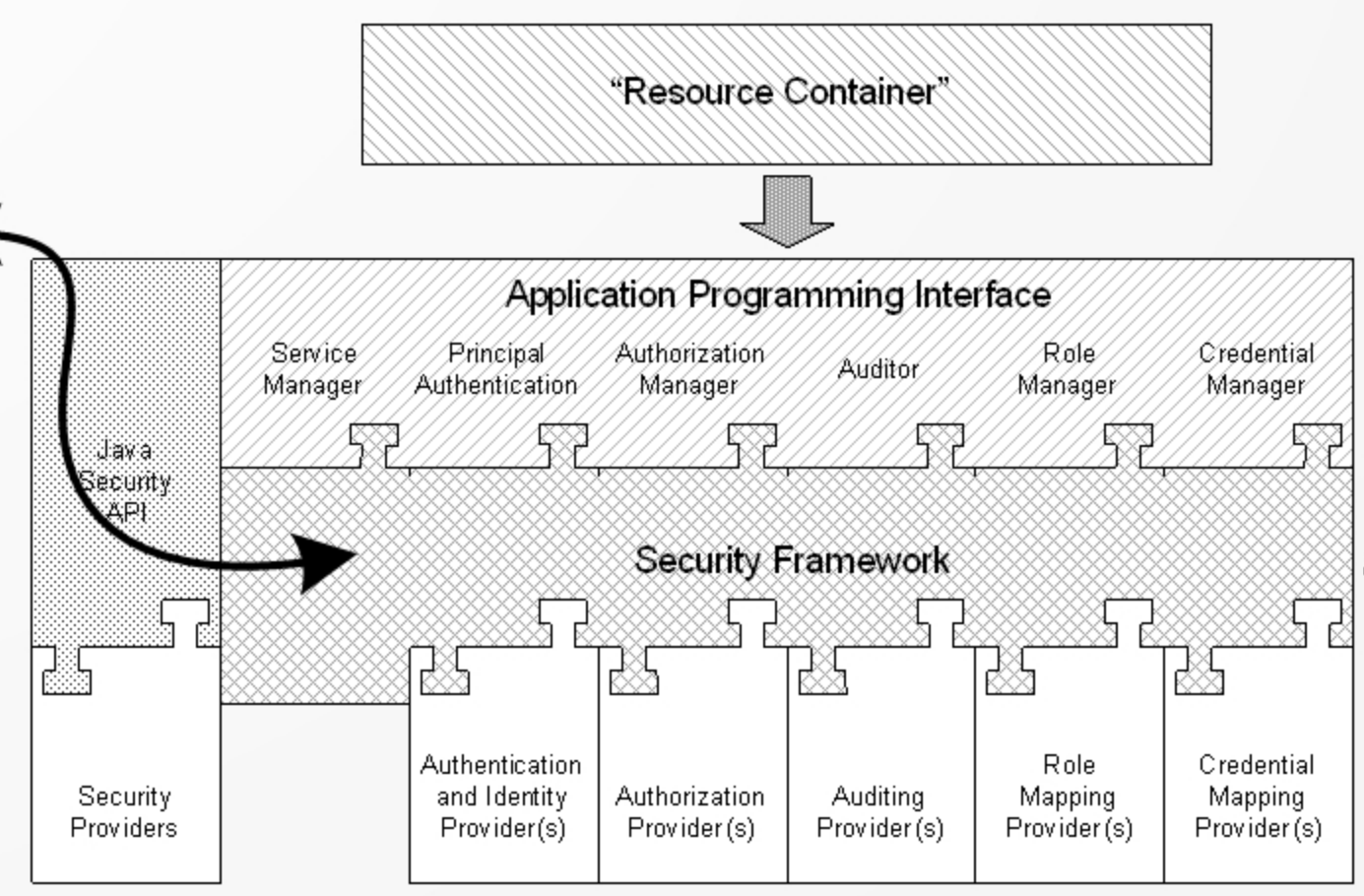
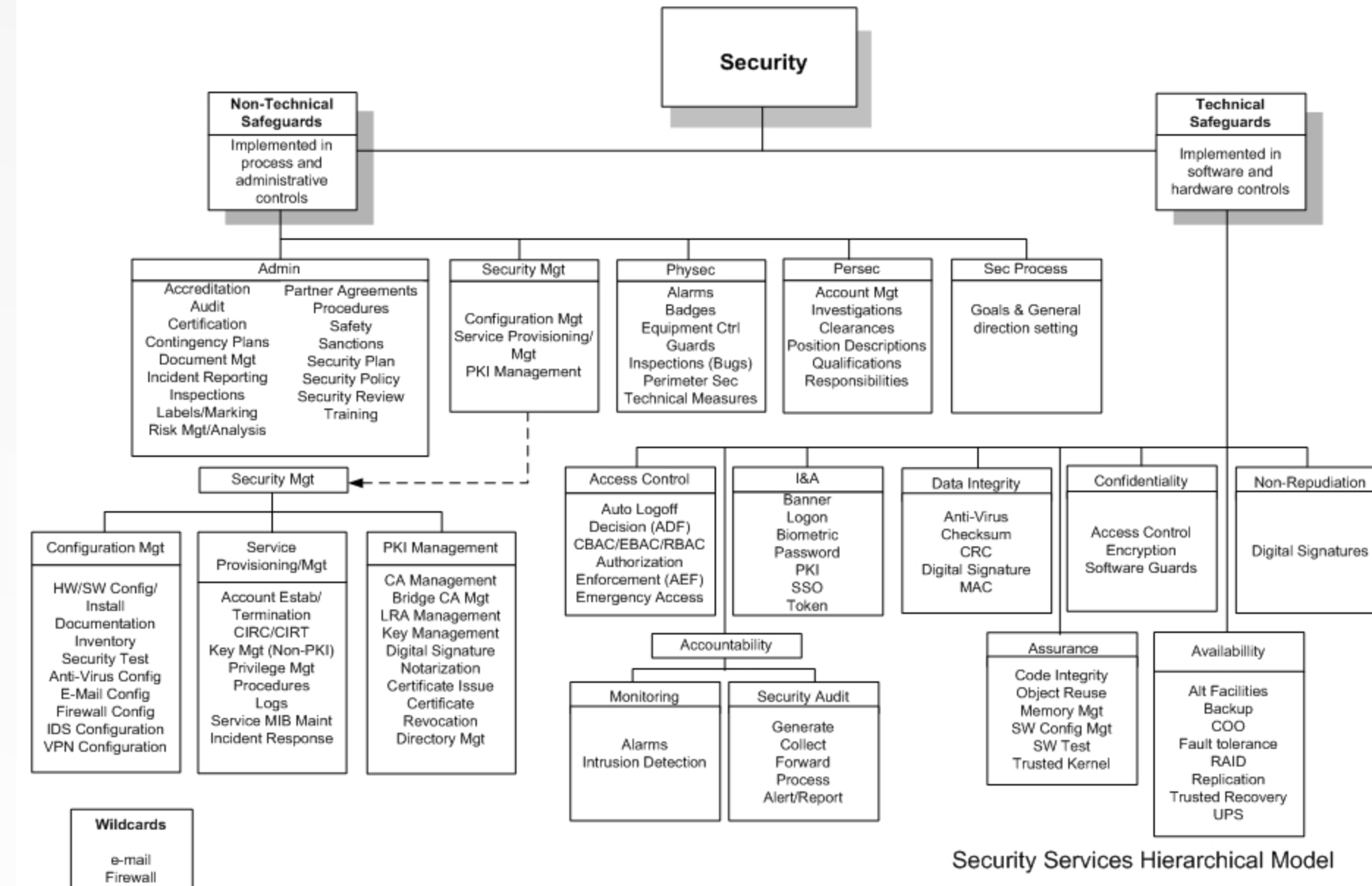
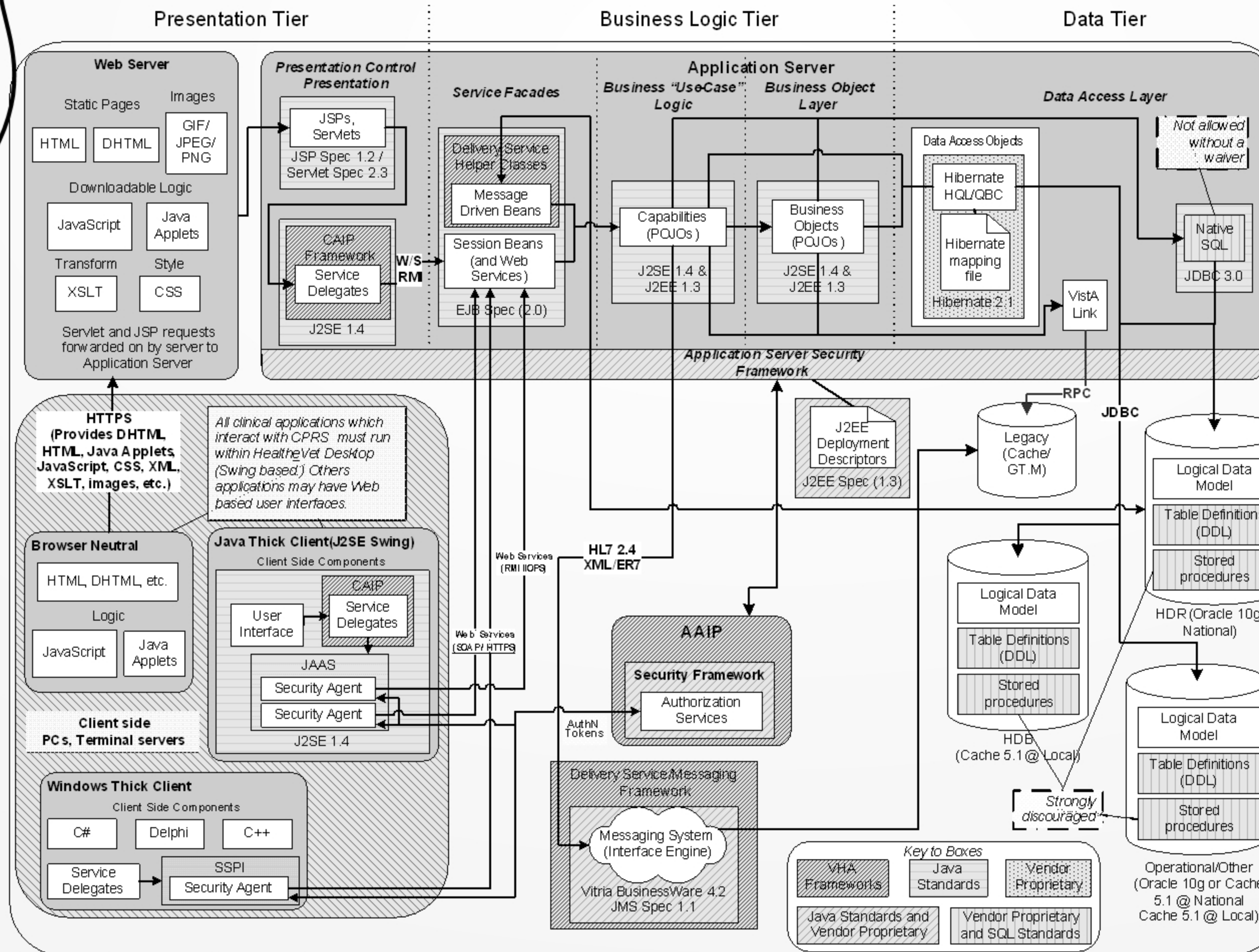


1. User authenticates with ESS authentication service.
2. User requests connection to destination.
3. ESS determines if user is authorized to connect to the requested resource (authorization decision based upon static role) and sends user logon name (authenticated user id, alias or VPID) to the context manager. Authentication data is not passed on the context manager.
4. Context manager tells mapping agent context change is occurring.
5. Mapping agent supplies context manager with other logon names for the user as known to each application.
6. Context manager tells annotation agent user context change is occurring. This is modeled here as a XACML attribute request to ESS access manager.
7. Annotation agent supplies the context manager with user's digital certificate. This is modeled here as a XACML attribute assertion from ESS access manager.
8. Context manager tells other applications that there is a new user context. Each application gets user's application-specific logon name from the context manager. The application may also get the user digital certificate (attribute assertion) from the context manager.
9. Applications optionally consult internal authentication data repository to get application-specific authentication data for the new user and automatically sign-on the user.
10. Applications optionally consult external authentication data repository to get application-specific authentication data for the new user and automatically sign-on the user. This is modeled as a XACML request (authentication, authorization or attribute) to ESS access manager.
11. ESS provides application requested information. These are modeled as a XACML authentication, authorization or attribute response. Applications optionally use this information with internal authentication/authorization information to sign-on user/establish application permissions.



1. User requests data from specific network resource (file system, server, database, Web service).
2. Query goes to application PEP
3. Application PEP uses XACML request based on attributes of the subject, action, resource and conditions.
4. PEP sends request to ESS PDP
5. PDP retrieves applicable policies (written in XACML)
6. PDP compares the request against policies and determines whether access should be granted.
7. Policy decision (YN) sent to PEP
8. PEP determines whether access is authorized.
9. If match, then access by user may be permitted.

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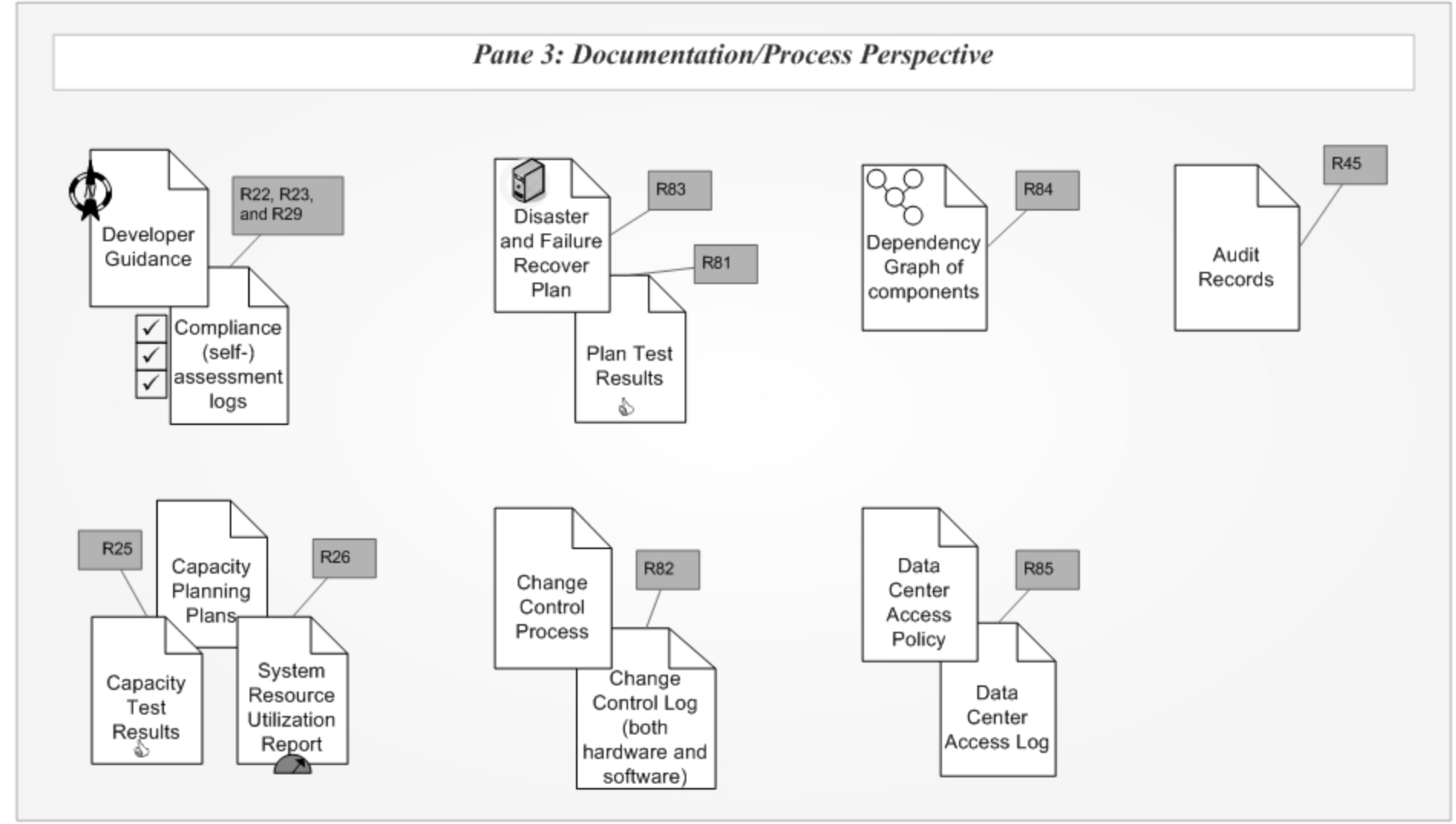
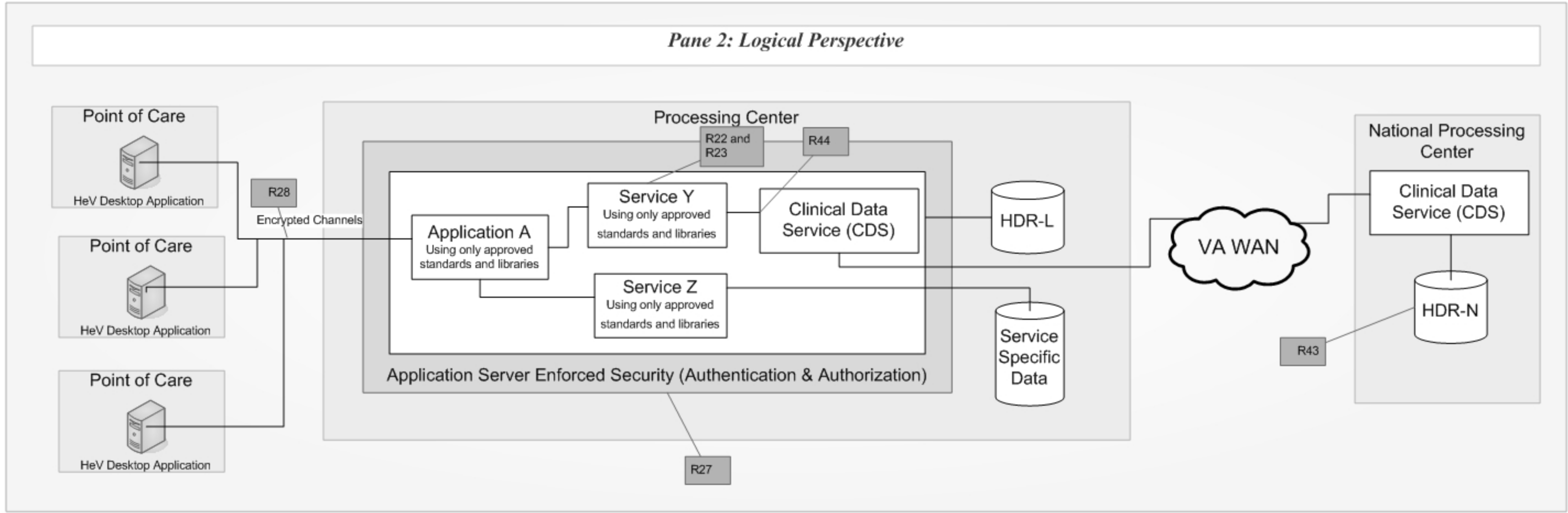
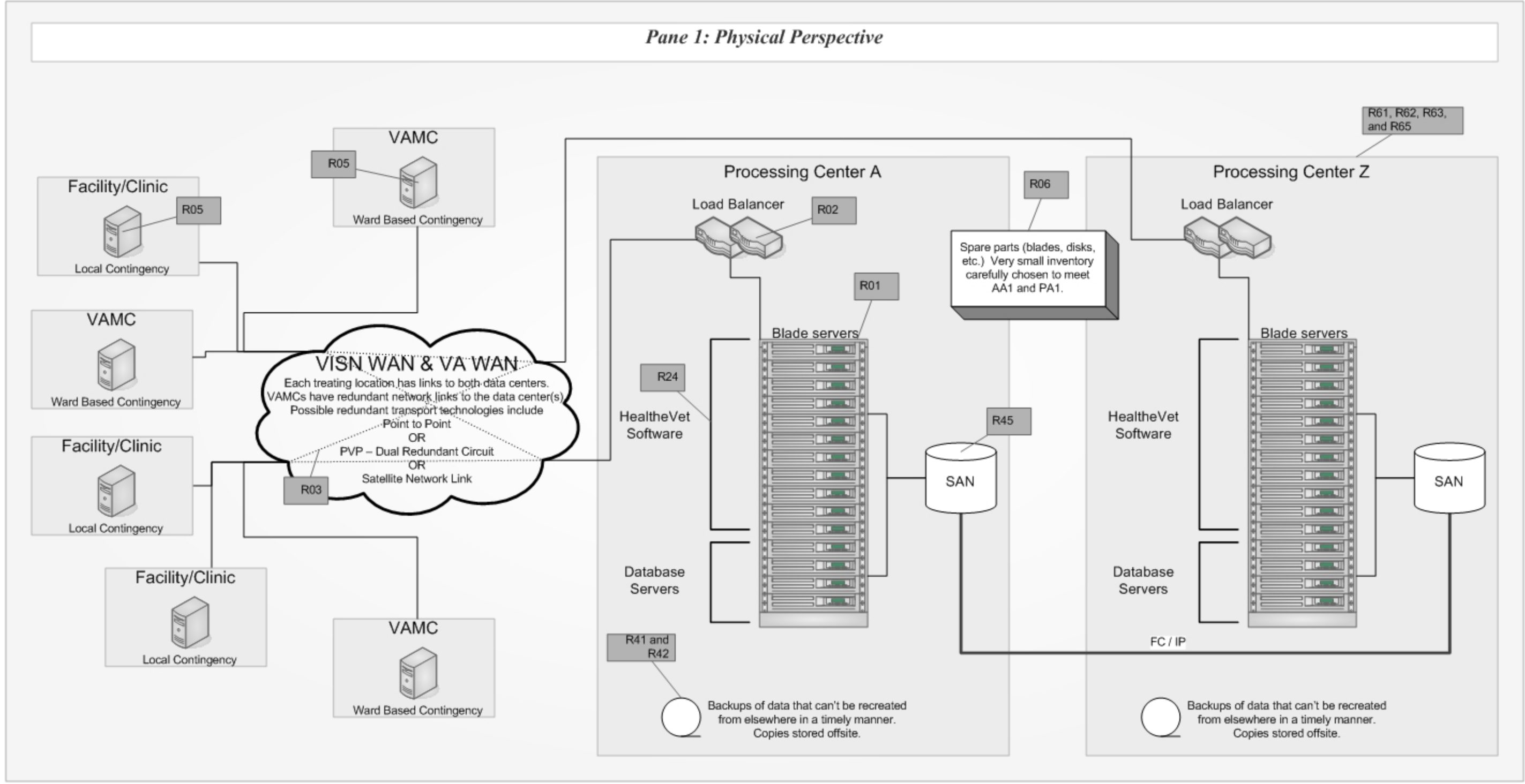
About this sheet:

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- Sub-domain: Security
- Level of detail: Logical
- Description: A developer view of security (sheet E1 has framework and system views)

Detailed engineering analyses of the operational dependability mechanisms of the system and failure modes is currently planned. When complete it will be available on the HIA website.

- Availability Assumptions**
- AA1. Maximum tolerable scheduled and unscheduled HealtheVet service downtime is limited to 43 minutes once per month for "mission critical information" systems as defined by tiered levels of service availability requirements identified for each service or product. Specific components required to provide these services have higher levels of target and minimum availability within each of these service availability tiers:
- Level 1 Service Availability – Downtime Tolerant, Important for Operations
- 90% minimum availability (16.8 hrs/wk maximum downtime)
 - 95% availability design target (8.4 hrs/wk maximum downtime)
 - 99% availability target for components (7.3 hrs/month maximum)
- Level 2 Service Availability – Important for Productivity
- 95% minimum availability
 - 99% availability design target
 - 99.9% availability target for components (43.8 minutes/month, 8.8 hrs/year maximum downtime)
- Level 3 Service Availability – Business Vital information
- 99% minimum availability
 - 99.9% availability design target
 - 99.99% availability target for components (52 minutes/year maximum downtime)
- Level 4 Service Availability – Mission Critical Information
- 99.9% minimum availability
 - 99.99% availability design target
 - 99.999% availability target for components (5.2 minutes/year maximum downtime)
- AA2. Additional scheduled maintenance windows on weekends or after hours are allowable provided contingency systems or procedures are established, feasible, and followed, providing tolerable levels of performance and capacity as documented in service level agreements.
- Performance Assumptions**
- PA1. Performance metrics will be determined in a baseline analysis of VistA and translated to performance targets and tolerance limits for HealtheVet components. These will include both business productivity performances, which depend on usability factors, as well as system response times. In addition, generic system performance requirements may be determined for certain types and complexities of operations including disaster recovery operations. These performance requirements must be shown to work in HealtheVet platform architectures and topologies.
- Dependability Goals**
- Physical**
- DG01. Enable increases in available computing resources to be added easily and cost effectively (scalability).
- DG02. Enable dynamic failover and replacement protection.
- DG03. Allow flexible reallocation of resources (including re-provisioning).
- DG04. Permit interoperability of heterogeneous devices.
- DG05. Accommodate adaptation of future technologies, by using industry standards and aligning with industry trends.
- DG06. Use mature hardware components with proven history as building blocks.
- Logical**
- DG21. Develop software low in bug counts.
- DG22. Be capable of taking advantage of increases in computing resources.
- DG23. Enable flexibility in switching vendors
- Data**
- DG41. Ensure no data is lost.
- DG42. Ensure access to data, especially patient data, can only be done by authorized individuals.
- Management**
- DG61. Reduce complexity of managing the environment (simplify and standardize).
- DG62. Non-disruptive maintenance and support (concurrently maintainable).
- DG63. Permit remote management and monitoring.
- DG64. Automate problem detection and correction.
- DG65. Minimize costs of long term maintenance.
- DG66. Enable tight control over configuration and changes.
- DG67. Support central distribution of patches, updates, and changes.
- Cross-cutting**
- DG81. Improve security.
- DG82. Meet performance expectations.
- DG83. Be resilient to denial of service issues involving bandwidth, connection attempts, or resource utilization.
- DG84. Eliminate single points of failure at all levels from individual resources to building level including:
- DG84a. Backups
 - DG84b. CPUs and/or servers
 - DG84c. Dependent services (either HeV built or "stock" like DNS, DHCP, etc.)
 - DG84d. Disks and storage network
 - DG84e. Network components
 - DG84f. Power/Environmental
 - DG84g. System Administrators/Operators
- DG85. Maintain separate environments for:
- DG85a. Production
 - DG85b. Production (time delayed by a few weeks) Mirror
 - DG85c. Quality Assurance
 - DG85d. Development
 - DG85e. Disaster Recovery

- Realizations**
- Physical**
- R01. Deploy onto high availability blade servers with features to scale up and/or out capacity, repurpose servers, and provide N-1 excess performance capacity, possibly utilizing virtualization techniques.
← AA1, PA1, DG01, DG02, DG03, DG06, DG82, DG84b
- R02. Install context-sensitive load balancers and network redirection.
← AA1, PA1, DG02, DG83
- R03. Redundant communications links and hardware at all network levels (LAN, VISN level, enterprise WAN).
← DG06, DG84e
- R04. Adhere to open, industry standards and minimizes proprietary solutions.
← DG05, DG23, DG65 (Not shown since it's not tied to any single piece of equipment.)
- R05. Maintain point of care contingency systems (ward, clinic, etc.) for critical systems.
← AA1, AA2, DG02, DG62, DG84* (for critical systems)
- R06. Have spare parts readily available.
← AA1, DG02
- R07. Provide "concurrently maintainable" data center infrastructure for HealtheVet production deployments, including utility services. (not pictured)
← AA1, AA2, DG62, DG84
- Logical**
- R21. Use mature software components (COTS or Open Source) that have a proven industry track record for quality.
← DG21
- R22. Adhere to open software APIs/standards.
← DG05, DG23
- R23. Avoid use of proprietary vendor features except when absolutely required.
← DG23
- R24. Use clustered deployment of the applications/services.
← AA1, DG02, DG22, DG82, DG84
- R25. Perform detailed capacity planning analyses and tests and plan increases in computing resources accordingly.
← PA1, DG82
- R26. Maintain a categorization of applications according to performance, availability and capacity needs and leverage hardware accordingly.
← AA1, PA1, DG82
- R27. Use transparent container managed security (authentication and authorization) to the extent feasible.
← DG42, DG81
- R28. Utilize secure (confidential and integrity assured) communications protocols and/or networks.
← DG42, DG81
- R29. Produce and maintain a developer guidance document listing robust coding practices including:
- Handling restarts.
 - Failures of dependencies.
 - Analysis of logic especially boundary checks and returned value checks
 - Assume failures will happen and code "defensively".
- ← AA1, DG21
- Data**
- R41. Maintain and test backups (as tape or optical).
← DG41
- R42. Maintain offsite backups.
← DG41, DG84a
- R43. Adopt national master patient record with local sites capable of being populated from it.
← DG41, DG84a
- R44. Implement "add only" approach (versus allowing "edits") to the patient record.
← DG41, DG81
- R45. Maintain audit records of access to data.
← DG42
- R45. Utilize a RAID based SAN with remote site mirroring for storing data
← DG41, DG84d
- Management**
- R61. Consolidate hardware resources into a small number of data centers.
← DG61, DG65
- R62. Develop a common template for all data centers.
← DG61, DG65, DG66
- R63. Use a common set of "prebuilt" and identical configurations across sites and servers.
← DG61, DG65, DG66, DG67
- Cross-cutting**
- R81. Perform robust testing of the environment under failure modes.
← AA1
- R82. Produce and maintain change control documentation for all changes, both software and hardware.
← DG61, DG66
- R83. Maintain a failure and disaster recovery plan.
← AA1, DG84
- R84. Maintain a dependency graph of components (both HeV built and off-the-shelf) that is integrated with the contingency plans and used for operational planning to properly predict impacts of a scheduled outage.
← AA1, AA2, DG62
- R85. Implement limited access data centers and tightly controlled operating environments.
← DG66, DG81
- Unrealized Dependability Goals**
- The realizations of the following Dependability Goals are not organizationally accepted or management approved at this time. They are currently being addressed and when resolved will appear on a future version of this sheet:
- DG04, DG05, DG63, DG64, DG85



- Acronyms and Abbreviations:**
- CDS – Clinical Data Service
 - COTS – Commercial Off The Shelf
 - CPU – Central Processing Unit
 - DHCP – Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
 - DNS – Domain Name Service
 - FC/IP – Fiber Channel over Internet Protocol
 - HDR-L – Health Data Repository – Local
 - HDR-N – Health Data Repository – National
 - HeV – HealtheVet
 - PVP – Permanent Virtual Pipe
 - SAN – Storage Area Network
 - VAMN – VA Medical Center
 - Vista – Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture
 - VISN – Veterans Integrated Service Network
 - WAN – Wide Area Network

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System: **HealtheVet**

Drawing: **Operational Dependability**

About this sheet:

Domain: Solution

Sub-domain: Dependability

Level of detail: Logical

Description: This sheet shows the goals and realization mechanisms for dependability.

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Pane 1: Schedule of VA Standards
 Pane one lists the standards allowed by the VA that can be used by HealthVet projects.

INFORMATION/DATA

Supporting Applications
License and System Management
 MS SMS v2, MIB-II, RMON (IETF RFC 1155, 1213, 1757)
Office Development
 MS Back Office
Office Automation
 MS Office

Electronic Mail Services
 MS Exchange (5.5 or later)
 Post Office Protocol (POP) IETF RFC 1939
 Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) IETF RFC 821

Native Formats
Document Format
 PDF, RTF, DOC, XML, HTML
Graphic Format
 GIF, JPEG, OpenGL, PNG, SVG
Audio Format
 MP3
Video Format
 MPEG-1, MPEG-2, MPEG-4

Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP)

Information Modeling
 Clinical Information (Text-based) HL7 2.4
 Business Information ASC X12, HL7 2.4
 Medical Images DICOM 3.1 JPEG 2000
 Digital Image Compression (ISO/IEC 10918.1-2), GIF
 Video Compression (MPEG 1) (ISO/IEC 11172.1-4), MPEG 2
 Documents & Hypertext Documents- SGML, XML, HTML

Data Representation
Database
 RDBMS, Cache, Oracle SQL Server
Repository
 Patient Record Architecture-HL7, Drug Codes-NDC
Vocabulary
 Lab & Clinical Observation Codes- LOINC, Mental Disorder Codes- DSM IV
 Multiaxial Medical Nomenclature, SNOMED/SNOMED-CT
 Outpatient Procedures- CPT- 4, Patient Diagnosis- ICD-9-CM
 MetaData IEEE 1484 Series, MetaData ISO 11179, ANSI, X 3.285, SMI, MOF, CWM

Meta Data Services
 XML, DT4TD, XPOINT
 Schema, DataType, Namespace
 WSDL, Model, Exchange, UDDI
 Registry, Design, Implementation

APPLICATION/SOFTWARE

Programming Languages
 Java Language, Java Script, Enterprise Java Beans

Common Presentation Services
 Access Standards Board for 508

Information Exchange Protocols

N-Tier Architecture

Client Tier
GUI Client
 Java 2 Standard Edition (J2SE)

Mobile Client
 IEEE 1073

Web Client
 JavaScript, J2SE

Data Tier
 URL, CSS, CSS Mobile
 CGI, PERL, Java2 Servlets & JSPs, JavaBean
 SQL, IEEE 11073, NCDPC
 XML, LOINC, WSDL
 UDDI, LDAP, GIF
 MPEG, JPEG, JPEG 2000

Application Tier
 Java 2 Enterprise Edition (J2EE)
 XSLT, XPATH
 PERL, XSLT, HTML, XHTML
 EDI, ODBC, OLEDB,OASIS
 SQL, SQL for Java
 DICOM, HL7

Character-Based Interface
 TELNET (IETF RFC 854, 855, 856)

SECURITY

Confidentiality
 NIST FIPS PUBs 46-3,171, 180-2,185, 186-2
 IETF RFCs 2246, 2406, 2409, 2633, 2660
 ISO/IEC 10181-5: 1996

Encryption
 NIST FIPS PUBs 46-3, 140-2, 171, 180-2, 185, 186-2
 RFCs 2246, 2406, 2409, 2633, 2660
 ASTM E1762-95, E1986-98

Virtual Private Networks
 IETF RFCs 2401, 2402, 2406, 2409

Checksum
 NIST FIPS PUBs 180-1, 198

Digital Signature
 FIPS PUBs 140-2, 186-2
 IETF RFCs 2807, 3075, 3076, 3275

Public Key Infrastructure
 NIST FIPS PUB 140-2
 IETF RFCs 2459, 2510, 2511, 2528, 2559, 2560, 2585, 2587, 3280

Access Control
 ASTM E1985-98, E1986-98, E1762-95, E2084-95, E2212-02a
 ISO 10181-3: 1996
 ANSI INCITS 359-2004 - RBAC
 OASIS XACML

Identification and Authentication
 IETF RFC 2865
 OASIS SAML

Identity and Access Management
 HL7: CCOW
 OASIS SPML
 ASTM E1714-00

Biometrics
 ANSI/INCITS 358
 ANSI X9.84
 ANSI/NIST - ITL-1-2000
 CBEFF - NISTIR 6529

Security Token
 NIST FIPS PUB 140-2
 IETF RFC 2196

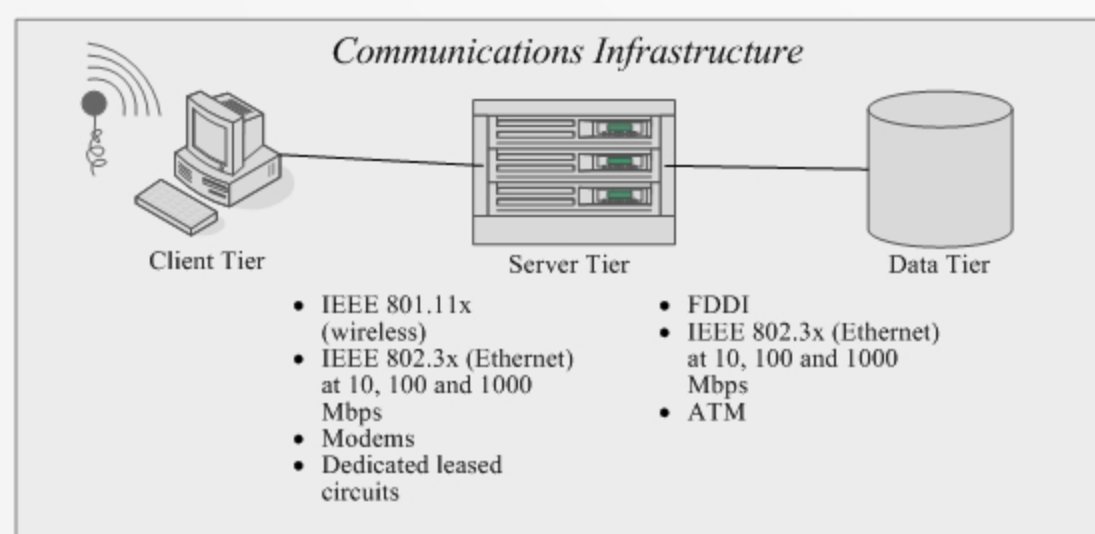
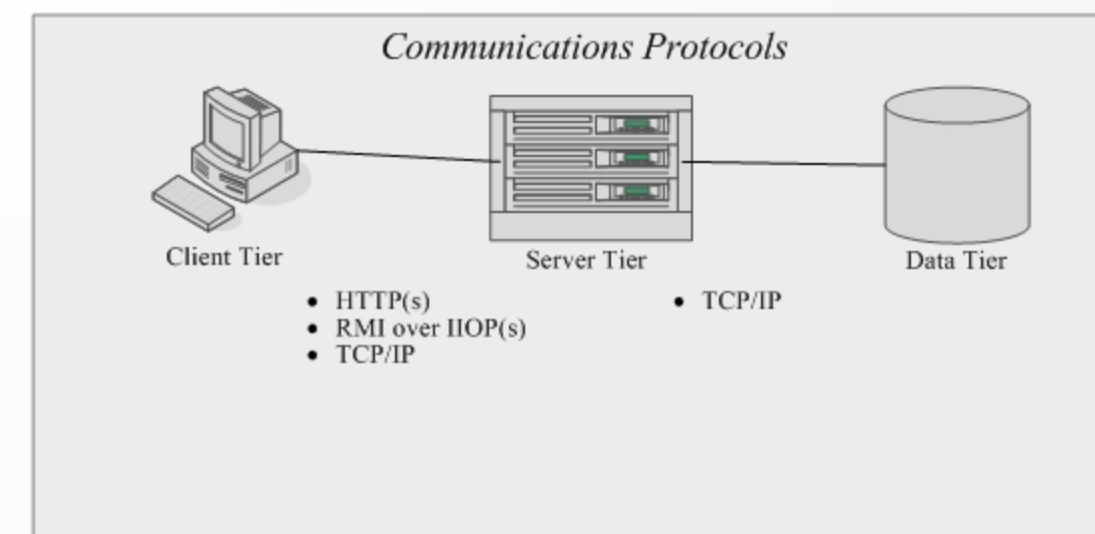
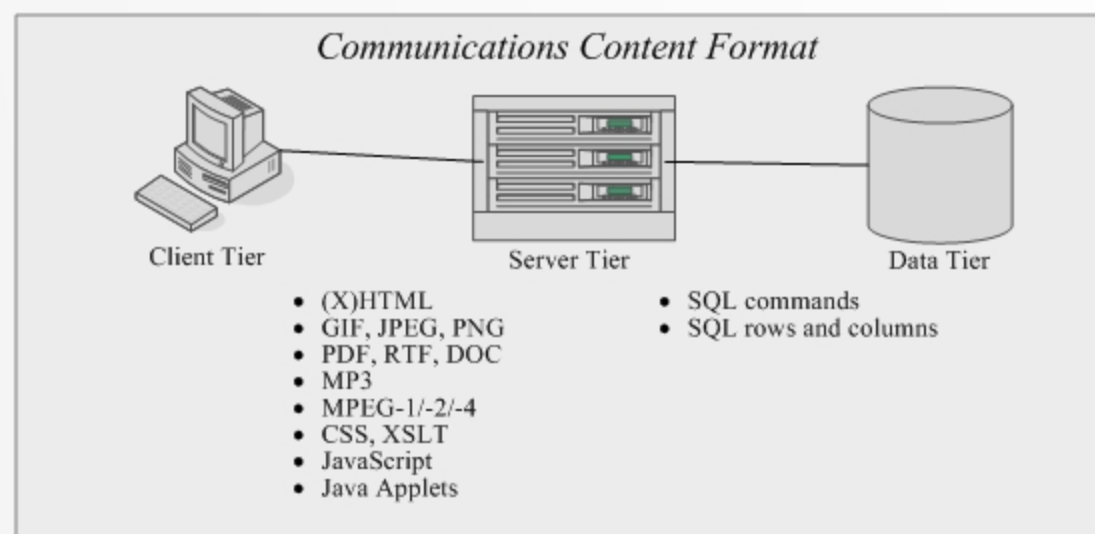
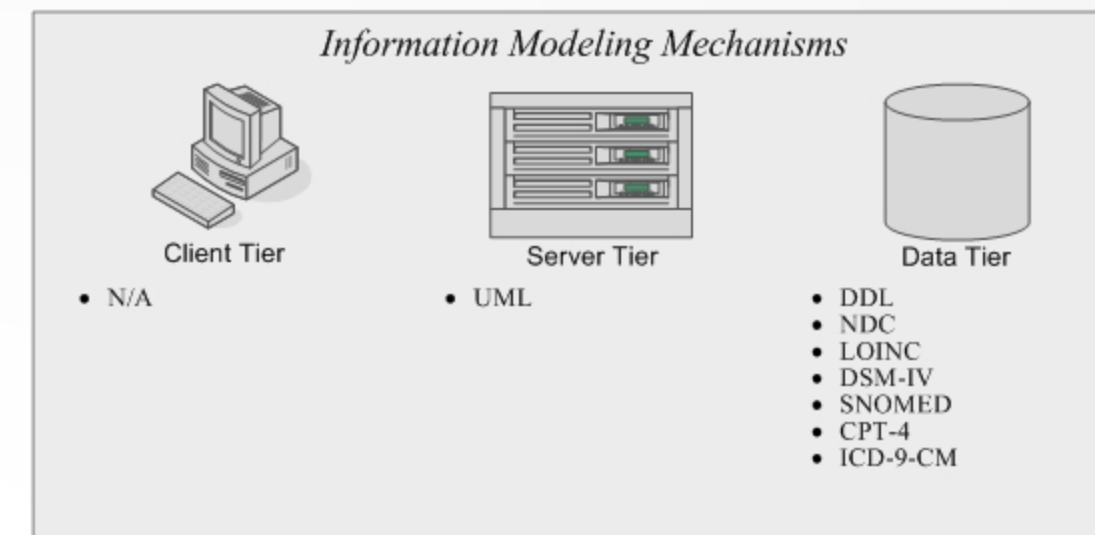
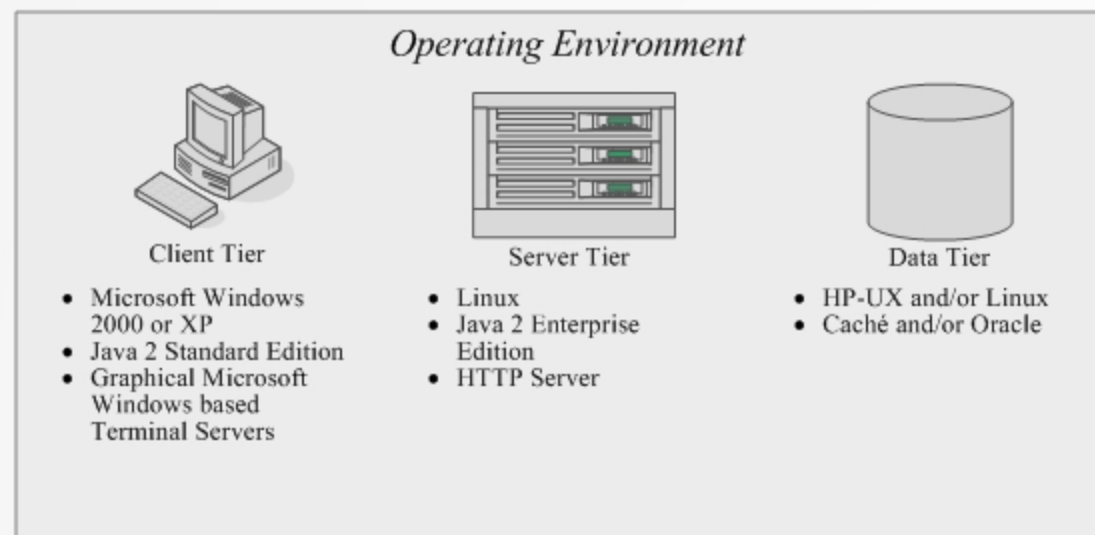
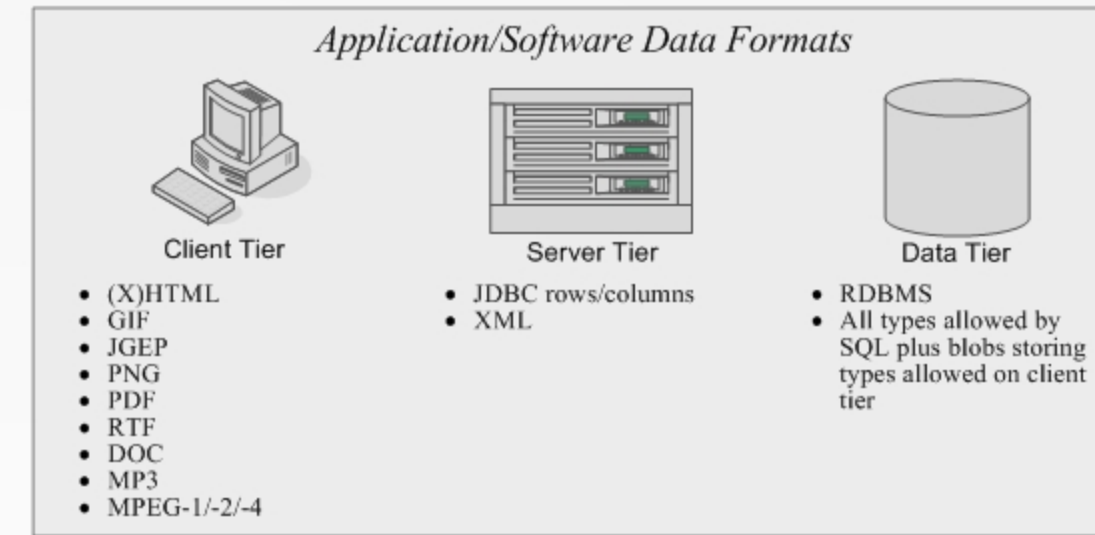
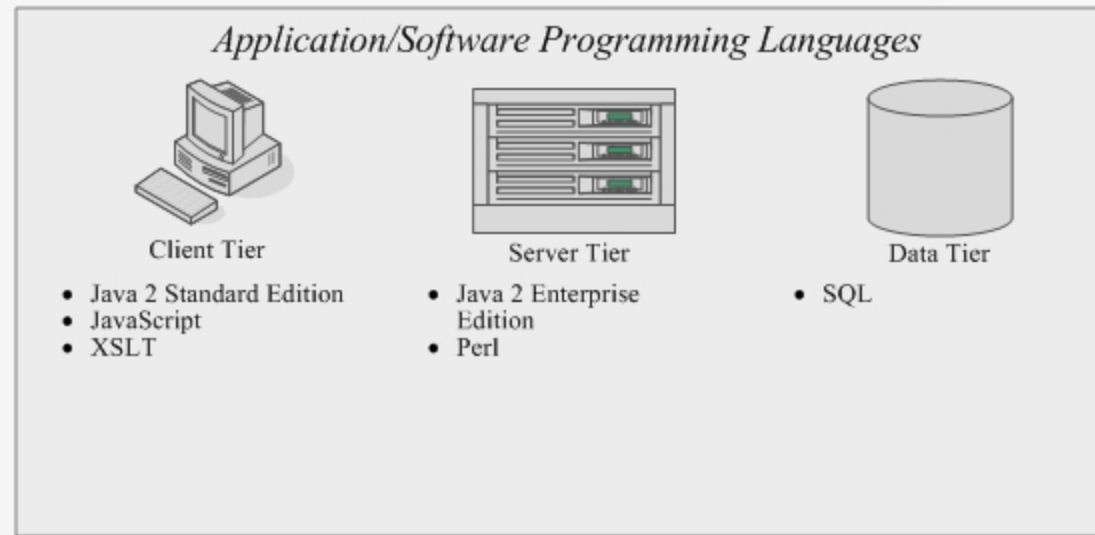
Intrusion Detection Devices
 NIST SP 800-31

Privacy
 NIST FIPS PUB 1402
 IETF RFC 2196

Electronic Signature
 ASTM E 1762-95
 ASTM E 2084-00

Pane 2: HealthVet Application of VA Standards

Pane Two shows how many of the standards in Pane One will be used in the construction of HealthVet.



INFRASTRUCTURE

System Software/Hardware

Server Operating Systems
 MS Windows 2000 or later, MS Windows 2003
 IEEE 1003 POSIX for UNIX and LINUX

Multimedia
 FIPS PUB 178

Network Management
 ITU T.120 (T.120- T.132)
 H.221,H.223 ,H.230, H.231 H.242, H.243, H.245 H.261
 ITU H.320
 ITU H.323 (LAN) ITU H.310 (ATM), ITU Q.931 (ISDN)
 SNMP v3 (IETF RFC 2272) MIB, MIB-II (IETF RFC 1155, RFC 1157, RFC 1213, RFC 2819)
 RMON (IETF RFC 2021, RFC 2034)

Network Connectivity

OSI Physical and Data Link Layer
 IEEE 802.3x, 10Base, 100Base Fast, 1000Base Gigabit Ethernet

Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) (ISO 9314)

Wiring
 Category 5 (CAT-5), Category 6 (CAT-6) Unshielded Twisted Pair

Telecommunications

LOCAL AREA NETWORKS
 IEEE 802.1q (VLAN)
 TCP/IP (IETF RFCs 791, 793, 919, 922, 959, 1122)

Wireless
 IEEE 802.11X
 EAP, TTLS, WTLS
 PEAP, Protected EAP
 TTLS-EAP
 WEP, TKIP, TWPA

WIDE AREA NETWORKS

OSI Layer 2 Protocols
 ISDN (FIPS 182) ITU Q.931, FRAME RELAY
 ANSI T1.606, ANSI T1.618, ATM
 ANSI T1.627, T1.629, T1.630

OSI Layer 3 Protocols
 UDP, ICMP (IETF RFC 792)
 DHCP (IETF RFC 2131),BGP (IETF RFC 1771)
 OSPF (IETF RFC 1583)

Schedule of CHI Standards

Domain
 Messaging Standards
 Retail pharmacy transactions
 Instrument Data Exchange
 Imaging (intra-agency)
 Laboratory Results Names
 Test Order Names
 Result Contents
 Medications
 Federal Drug Terminologies
 Demographics
 Immunizations
 Units

Interventions/ Procedures
 Clinical Encounters
 Diagnosis/ Problem List
 Medical Devices/Supplies
 Anatomy/Physiology
 Population Health
 History and Physical
 Nursing
 Genes and Proteins

Text-Based Reports
 Disability
 Financial/ Payment
 Chemical (UMLS)

CHI Adopted Standard

Health Level 7 (HL7) Version 2.3
 NCPDP SCRIPT
 IEEE 1073
 DICOM
 LOINCLab
 LOINCLab
 SNOMED CT
 (FDA, NLM, VA)
 Health Level 7 (HL7) Version 2.4 and higher
 CVX and MVX codes from HL7 Version 2.3.1
 HL7 Version 2.4+

CHI Recommended Standard

SNOMED CT
 Health Level 7 (HL7) Version 2.4 and higher
 SNOMED CT
 No recommendation.
 SNOMED CT
 No recommendation
 Defer
 SNOMED CT
 Human Gene Nomenclature (HUGN) for genes.
 No recommendation for Proteins
 HL7 CDA Release 1.0- and higher
 Future Work
 (Billing HIPAA) HIPAA approved code sets
 Conditional: EPA Substance Registry System

Notes:

The Schedule of VA Standards is produced and maintained through the use of an evergreening process, consistent with the dynamic and ongoing changes that occur within the scope of technology and the Blueprint for HealthVet. As an evolving document, it is updated periodically to address emerging standards that are ratified and obsolete standards that are retired. The evergreening process of the Schedule of VA Standards is the key to ensuring alignment and compatibility between current standards and the technologies and services that support the Blueprint for HealthVet.

Acronyms and Abbreviations:

ANSI – American National Standards Institute
 CHI – Computer Human Interface
 CPT – Current Procedural Terminology
 DICOM – Digital Imaging and Communications for Medicine
 DSM-IV – Diagnostic and Statistical Manual, 4th Edition
 EPA – Environmental Protection Agency
 FDA – Food and Drug Agency
 HIPAA – Health Information Portability and Accountability Act
 HL7 – Health Level 7
 HTML – Hypertext Markup Language
 HTTP(s) – Hypertext Transport Protocol (secured)
 HUGN – Human Gene Nomenclature
 ICD – International Classification of Diseases
 IEEE – Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
 ISO/IEC – International Standards Organization/
 International Electrotechnical Commission
 LOINC – Logical Observation Identifier Names and Codes
 MIB-II – Management Information Base 2
 MPEG – Moving Picture Experts Group
 MS – Microsoft
 NDC – National Drug Code
 NLM – National Library of Medicine
 RDBMS – Relational Database Management System
 RFC – Request for Comments
 RMON – Remote Monitoring
 SGML – Standard Generalized Markup Language
 SMI – Storage Management Initiative
 SMS – Systems Management Software
 SMTP – Simple Mail Transport Protocol
 SNOMED CT – Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine Clinical Terms
 SQL – Structured Query Language
 UDDI – Universal Description, Discovery and Integration
 UML – Unified Modeling Language
 UMLS – Unified Medical Language System
 XML – eXtensible Markup Language

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Architectural Standards Profile

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About this sheet:

Domain: Solution

Sub-domain: Standards

Level of detail: Logical

Description:

The standards profile that HealthVet components will adhere to.

Vision

The vision of HealthVet is to be VA's next generation healthcare information system that becomes the industry benchmark for care quality, safety, and patient satisfaction.

Mission/Purpose

HealthVet will provide patient-centric data repositories, enhanced clinical decision support and analytical capabilities, personalized care and access to health information for patients, and increased opportunities for information exchanges with healthcare partners.

HealthVet includes the phased replacement of the existing VistA-Legacy system on a new technology platform. As HealthVet is implemented, the VistA-Legacy system, national databases and registries will be retired.

- HealthVet is a comprehensive system that will support a full range of users including clinical, research, education, administrative, financial and management.
- HealthVet promotes seamless integration of care between VA and DoD.
- HealthVet is designed as an affordable option for providers in rural and medically underserved communities.

Design Goals

Six dominant elements describe the broad architectural goals of the health information architecture.

These elements are discussed as separate entities for presentation purposes.

In reality, the goals are interrelated and do not stand alone.

The elements are the following:

- Patient Health Centered
- Services Oriented
- Standards Based
- Secure
- Component Based
- Web Enabled

Success Requisites

Legislative Compliance

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)

Veterans Millennium Bill of 1999

Privacy Act

Security

Accessibility

Single Sign-on

Software/Hardware Trust

Identification and Authentication

Technical Performance

Availability

Scalability

Reliability

Interoperability

Manageability

Serviceability

Maintainability

Health Care Drivers

Business Drivers

- Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) Realignment
- OneVA
- Agency Collaboration
- Care Management
- Population-based Health Schemes
- Inpatient to Outpatient Outsourcing Shift
- Quality and Performance Management
- Veteran Demographics
- Cross Business Line Integration
- Patient Access to Health Centered Systems
- Patient Safety
- Assume Leadership Role in Health Care Education and Research

Technology Drivers

- E-commerce digital convergence
- Digital Convergence
- E-Healthcare via high speed technology and portals

Expectations

Department of Veterans Affairs

- Compliance with OneVA Enterprise Architecture
- Fully utilize OneVA Telecommunications infrastructure
- Implement centralized user and system security management
- Cost Effective

Veterans Health Administration

- Centralized Legal Electronic Health Record (HER) Repository for Text & Coded Data
- Single Access Point for Legal EHR
- Privacy & Security of Information
- Record Archival & Retrieval Ability
- Purge Capability to be determined
- Design Optimized for Operations (health care delivery – Vet-Centric)
- Connected (record sharing)

Office of Information

- Rollout of (functional & useful) Health Data Repository (HDR) by September 2005
- Will not Lose Functionality & Performance
- Policy adherence on Data Standards & Interchanges as Systems are Replaced (Consolidated Health Informatics [CHI], VHA-VA, VA-Department of Defense [DoD], VA)
- Standard Data Representation to Minimize Vendor Dependence
- Highly portable Vendor Independent Logical Design

User

- System Availability & Performance
- Predetermined with Data Currency
- Longitudinal Record Access (Continuum of Care Including Non-VA, Home Care)
- Transactional & Analytical Ability (Audit?)
- Application Extensibility at Local Level (with Core Systems Lockdown)
- Operational Efficiency (productivity) with Conformance Mechanism

Veteran

- Accessibility
- Data Quality
- Privacy & Security of Information

Interim Critical Attributes (final list of critical attributes is being defined)

Adaptability is key to the VHA's future architecture. However, the architecture must possess other critical attributes as well. Eight critical attributes are listed below along with corresponding performance measures.

Adaptable: The future information infrastructure comprises flexible or easily replaceable components that can readily adapt at the same pace as our business.

Performance measure: Is the EA (Enterprise Architecture) tactically agile such that major business initiatives can move forward without delays caused by infrastructure barriers?

Patient health centered: The information technology (IT) systems are configured and tuned to focus on supporting the health of the veteran population, contributing to maximizing patient functionality, outcomes measurement, and health value.

Performance Measure: Are IT systems designed and developed from a patient-centric, global perspective?

Accessible: The architecture facilitates the users' ability to obtain or supply the right information in the desired form quickly and easily.

Performance Measure: Does the architecture provide various user interface types that are available at the right access points and satisfy the needs of the various categories of users (e.g., providers, support staff, veterans)?

Interoperable: VHA's architecture provides a framework that facilitates reliable and seamless data exchange between heterogeneous applications throughout the business enterprise in a consistent manner.

Performance Measure: Does the architecture employ standards-based data interchange methods that maintain data integrity and provide for multi-point sharing?

Connected: The architecture promotes membership of the VHA's information systems (and consequently our users) into a much larger community

Performance Measure: Does the architecture make possible data interchange with external knowledge sources (via the Internet), alliances, partners, administrations, and agencies?

Secure: The security architecture preserves and protects against unwanted loss, damage, or disclosure of data.

Performance Measure: Are documented breaches and the results of planned penetration studies within acceptable limits? Are continuous architectural improvements being made in *anticipation* of future needs?

Maintainable: The architecture uses highly leveraged, cost effective, modular, and readily available technologies.

Performance Measure: Does the architecture avoid unnecessary complexity, tightly coupled systems, native interfaces, and proprietary solutions where reasonably avoidable?

Standards based: The architecture makes extensive use of standards.

Performance Measure: Does the architecture widely employ the standards identified in the VHA Standards Profile?

An Enterprise Architecture that possesses these attributes serves as the glue that binds the organizational aspects of business processes, information needs, application systems, data definitions, and delivery systems.

Blueprint for HealthVet Reference Links

Acronym List

<http://vaww1.va.gov/med/acronyms/acronym.cfm>

CHI Standards

http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/attachment_3/v.html

VA EA Standards

<http://vaww.va.gov/OIT/EAM/EAservice/EAv2-1Collection/default.asp> ,Volume II

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Blueprint for HealthVet?

The Blueprint for HealthVet contains graphical descriptions of the services and technologies to be used by developers, implementers and support teams to support business functions of the VHA enterprise. The visual depictions are a roadmap and tool for defining the health information architecture, which aligns with the VA Enterprise Architecture (EA). The Blueprint for HealthVet is developed by a cross-organizational team of Domain Subject Matter Experts and Owners, overseen by the office of Health Information Architecture, and is a collaborative product of the VHA business and information technology communities.

What is the purpose of the Blueprint for HealthVet?

The Blueprint for HealthVet support the priorities, goals, and strategies documented in the One-VA EA. The primary purpose of the Blueprint for HealthVet is to promote understanding and communication of the HealthVet architecture in support of the EA goals.

What is the scope of the current release?

Blueprint for HealthVet version 1.0 represents an "As Is" model as well as a "To Be" representation to the extent that management has agreed to the direction.

Who is the primary audience?

Blueprint for HealthVet version 1.0 is expected to reach a wide range of stakeholders which will include architects, system developers and designers, project managers, implementation and support personnel, and others who wish to obtain useful information about the services and standards that comprise the Blueprint for HealthVet .

What are the plans for updating the information?

The team expects to provide quarterly update revisions of the Blueprint for HealthVet.

I have suggestions for improvement to the HealthVet Blueprints. Whom should I contact?

Feedback regarding needed corrections, suggestions, and recommendations can be submitted through the Blueprint for HealthVet change management process via the HIA web site. A web-based change request / issue report form is available at this location: <http://vaww.va.gov/vhaea/scripts/visualarchitecture.asp>.

The Blueprint for HealthVet Oversight Group may be contacted using the OI HIA Blueprint for HealthVet Oversight distribution list in the Outlook Global Address List.

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