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AI Listening Devices Enter the VA

The exam room is being invaded. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has selected a group of ambient scribe AI technology companies for government contracts.

The VA will spend nearly \$776 million in taxpayer money over five years on ambient listening technology that records the private conversations in VA exam rooms. Doctors, nurses, physician assistants and nurse practitioners will use the devices. Will patients be allowed to refuse to be recorded?

As outsiders enter the exam room through AI's ambient listening devices, first, say no to the recording. Second, find a doctor who protects your privacy. Go to JointheWedge.com JointheWedge.com

"Abridge Ambient AI Now Available to all VA Medical Centers,"

Andrea Fox, Healthcare IT News, September 23, 2026:

<https://www.healthcareitnews.com/news/abridge-ambient-ai-now-available-all-va-medical-centers?leadId=1398641>

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