

**Michael W. Fisher**

**Deputy Network Director, VISN 20**

**Biography**

Mr. Fisher has served as VISN 20's Deputy Network Director since March 2008. Prior to that, he served as the VISN Chief Financial Officer, from May 2006 – March 2008. He also served as VISN 20's Acting Network Director, from the period January 2009 – April 2009.

Mr. Fisher has over 18 years tenure with the VA, beginning his Federal service as an Accounting Technician. He has direct experience in all aspects of federal financial systems as well as revenue, compliance and human resources functions. In 2007, he successfully completed VA's Health Care Leadership Institute Training, an advanced training program offered to a limited number of future leaders within the organization.

In his current role, he is responsible for directing the operations of a consolidated healthcare network that serves veterans throughout Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, as well as small portions of California and Montana.

Before to coming to the VISN 20, Mr. Fisher spent thirteen years at the VA Medical Center in New Orleans in a variety of positions to include Chief Financial Officer. While in New Orleans, he received numerous commendations, particularly in recognition of his accomplishments during the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

Mr. Fisher received his B.A. in Accounting and CPA certification in 1994.