In the [21st Century Cures Act](https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/34/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%2221st+century+cures%22%5D%7D&r=1), Congress identified the importance of easing regulatory and administrative burdens associated with the use of electronic health records (EHRs) and health information technology.

**HEALTH IT USABILITY AND THE USER EXPERIENCE**

**Strategy 2: Promote user interface optimization in health IT that will improve the efficiency, experience, and end user satisfaction.**

**Recommendation 1: Harmonize user actions for basic clinical operations across EHRs.**

**Strategy 3: Promote harmonization surrounding clinical content contained in health IT to reduce burden. Recommendation 2: Standardize order entry content within health IT.**

The IT EMR at the VA should have easily accessible flow sheets, standardized protocols, and standing orders for Nursing Specific quality indicators. *i.e.* Pressure injury prevention for high-risk patients, requires an order for an off-loading device, such as a boot, specialized bed, site protection dressings, wedges etc.