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## VA

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a patient waited to receive an evaluation. For example, if a patient is referred on Sept. 15 and the evaluation is scheduled and takes place on Oct. 1, then the VA would show that the veteran waited zero days, when in reality the patient had waited 15. Investiga-

that timeframe. The remaining third waited 40 days on average.

The record was better for follow-up treatments. About 88 percent get follow-up appointments within 14 days of the desired date, but that still leaves about 1.2 million appointments during the year that exceed the timeframe. The department has been reporting that 98 percent of veterans were getting timely follow-up appointments.

“Clearly the VA scheduling system needs a major overhaul,” Murray said. “The VA also needs to get serious about hiring new mental health professionals in every corner of the country.”

Murray’s committee conducted a hearing on the inspector general’s report on Wednesday morning. The VA said it concurred with the findings and has already begun taking steps to address the findings, including establishing a new office with oversight of the mental health program.

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tors called the VA’s tracking as “having no real value.”

Investigators said that the VA also overstated how long it took to treat new patients after they got an evaluation. Such treatment is supposed to take place within 14 days of the date sought by the patient, but only two-thirds of veterans were are treated within

## Marley

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cess? Success means different things to different people. To me, the greatest quality of successful human beings is the ability to love.

**KW:** The Melissa Harris-Perry question: How did your first big heartbreak impact who you are as a person?

**ZM:** It makes you stronger. Yeah, it makes you stronger.

**KW:** Dante Lee, author of “Black Business Secrets,” asks: What was the best business decision you ever made, and what was the worst?

**ZM:** My best business decision was to be

independent as a musician and artist. My worst was compromising on certain aspects of a deal for the sake of other members of my group when I shouldn’t have, because I was right in the end.

**KW:** The Tavis Smiley question: How do you want to be remembered?

**ZM:** To tell you the truth, I don’t know. I don’t think about it. [Laughs]

**KW:** Thanks again for the time, Ziggy, and best of luck with the film and the concert tour.

**ZM:** Thank you, brother.

## OHSU Names Affirmative Action Director



Michael Tom is Oregon Health & Science University’s new Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity director.

Tom, who has been employed at OHSU since 2004, served as interim director of the department until his appointment as permanent director. He has also served as associate director and as a compliance officer within the AAEO department. He serves as the Co-Chair of the Diversity Advisory Council and Co-Chair of the Physical Access Committee that lead the university’s diversity and accessibility initiatives.

Tom currently serves on the Community Transitional School Board and the Oregon Native American Chamber Advisory Board. He co-founded A Night For Networking, an annual event that connects individuals with disabilities with businesses and employment opportunities. Prior to his arrival at OHSU, Tom worked as an associate attorney at the law firms of Hoffman, Hart & Wagner and Corbett Gordon & Associates in Portland.

The AAEO department at OHSU plays an important role as a resource for patients, staff, faculty, students and employment applicants to support diversity and prohibit discrimination across the university’s missions of patient care, education, research and outreach.

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