

Mamobile App Style Guide



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VA Mobile is revolutionizing how Veterans access resources and information. Apps for Veterans, caregivers, and VA staff provide new and more convenient tools to better manage information, connect Veterans with their VA care teams, maintain Veterans' mental health, and more.

App icons are a core element of the user experience in representing VA Mobile Health technologies. By following these guidelines, you are not only ensuring brand consistency, but also helping reinforce the quality of care that these apps help provide.

The following guidelines should be used as a reference for design considerations when creating a VA Mobile Health app.

For additional best practices on designing an app icon, see Page 38 of the Office of Connected Care Brand Guidelines on the **Connected Care Outreach Toolkit page**.



Designing App Icons

When developing VA Health apps, developers should first review the latest development guidelines provided by *Apple*, *Android*, and *Google Play*.

An app icon template is available on the **VA Mobile Toolkit page**.

Designers should adhere to the following design requirements to help ensure approval by VA:

- VA Health logo on white background header
- White header with curved bottom
- Graphics that help convey the function of the app
- Colors from the VA color palette (see Page 4)
- Light gray border for rounded corner application
- Lock icon in the bottom right corner of the app logo for apps that require secure login credentials

The Google Play Store now requires the main artwork to fit within keyline of 384 x 384 px. Please refer to the parameters shown to the right.

Once your app icon is approved, you will need to provide the following file formats:

- 1024 x 1024 px in .ai, .eps, .jpg, .png, and .svg formats
- 512 x 512 px in .png format (for Google Play)
- Icons featuring a lock symbol (if an app requires login credentials), without the lock, and square for web use
- Color space in RGB



VA Health logo (right aligned, right and top justified to lock into the keyline grid)

White header with identical left-to-right sloping angle; angle line colors can differ

This Annie app shows the graphics within the 384 pixel keyline grid

Background color from VA color palette

App border for rounded corner application, 5455 PC from VA color palette

Lock icon placed in bottom right corner for apps requiring login credentials



With lock



Without lock

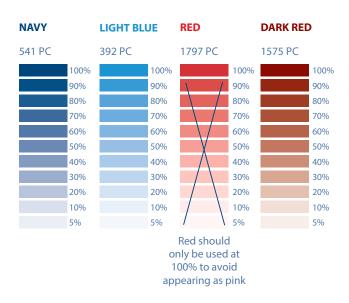


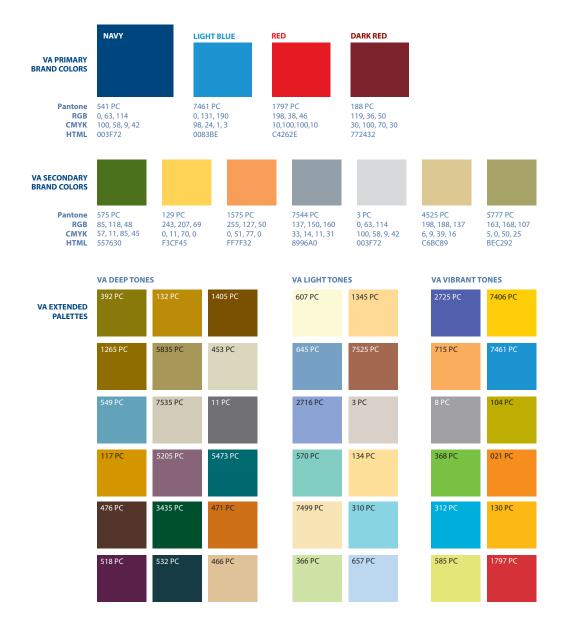
Square

VA Color Palette

The VA palette is comprehensive and allows for the tailoring of palettes to specific tones, such as formal and academic, bright and cheerful, or somber and serious. Proper use of these colors is essential for brand identity, setting the tone, dividing information, and aiding recognition.

Colors may be used at 100%





Additional Support

VA's Office of Connected Care is committed to supporting the communications efforts of all its program offices. Before developing any communication materials, reach out to the Connected Care Communications team.

We can point you to numerous resources, images, and products available for your use and can provide support and insight throughout the process.

For any questions about Connected Care communications support, contact all of the following:

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