Dr. Ronald Riechers
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Dr. Ronald Riechers is one of the leading researchers in the country on traumatic brain injury. As the head of the Department of Neurology at the Louis Stokes VA Medical Center in Cleveland, he’s worked to develop and improve processes that ensure timely evaluation and follow-up for Veterans with TBI. His training as a neurologist and his military background have enabled him to develop a model for a comprehensive rehabilitation program for Veterans with TBI and polytrauma.

Riechers is a former Army physician who has received many awards for his military service, including the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Meritorious Service Medal. He respects those awards but believes his greatest honor is the handshake and thanks from a Veteran patient whom he has helped in a clinical setting or with a research innovation.