

# Overview of VA Research and Grant Opportunities

## VA Saint Louis Health Care System (VASTLHCS)

### Research and Development Service

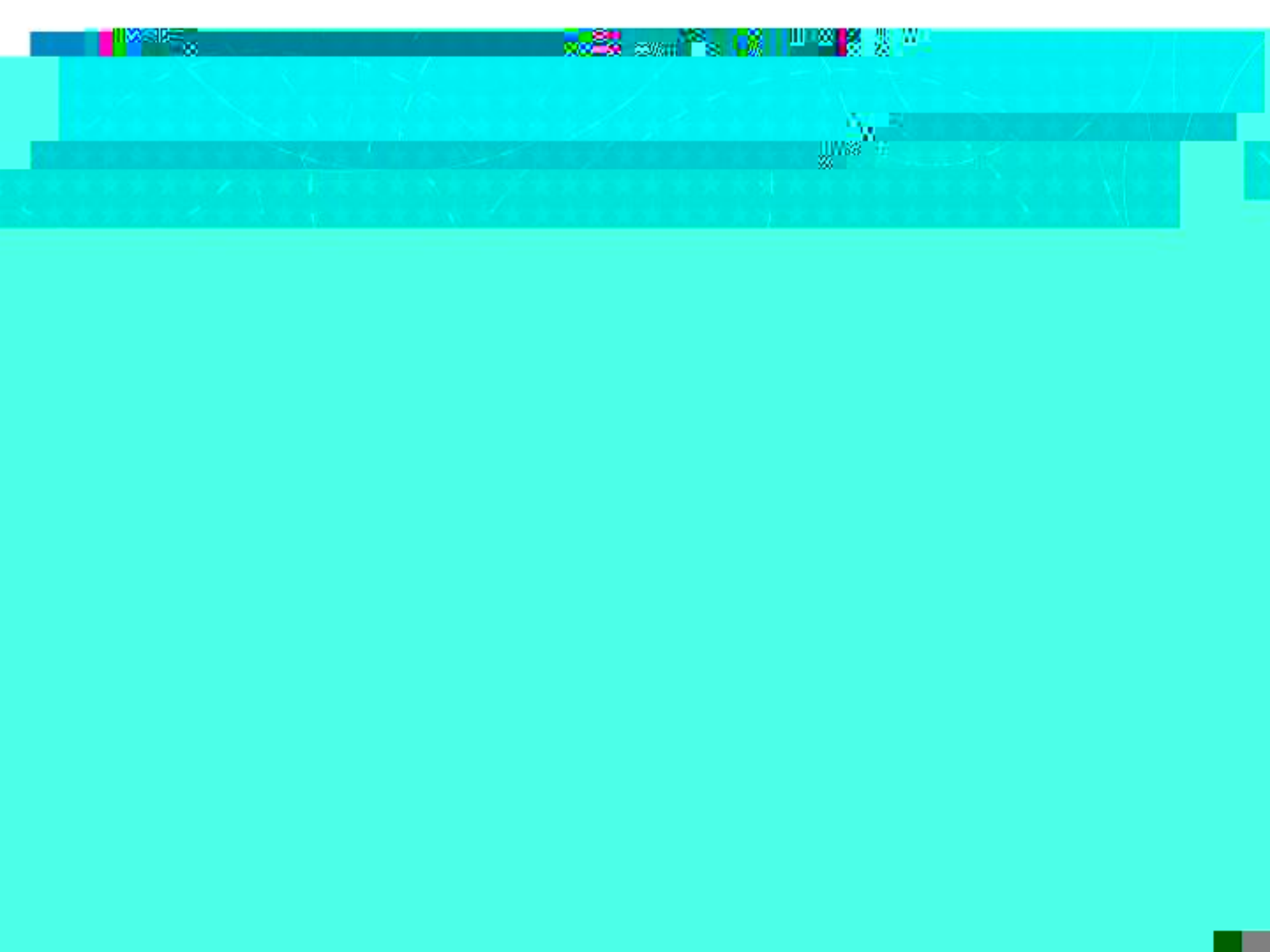
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# VA Funding Mechanisms

## What Are You Applying For?

VA Research is an *intramural* program

### Types of awards

#### Merit

Established investigators

5/8ths VA Paid Appointment minimum award

25 hours per week committed to VA of which part (3/8ths) is spent performing research, part (2/8ths) clinical duties

#### Career Development Award (CDA-2)

Intended for early investigators

Provides salary for PI through award mechanism for 3 to 5 years

6/8ths paid appointment minimum award

30 hours per week committed to VA of which part is spent performing research, part clinical duties

#### Research Career Scientist (RCS)

Intended for PhD

Provides up to 5 years of salary support through the VA

Must be eligible for 5/8ths VA Paid Appointment, of which 25 hours per week committed to performing VA research activities

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## What Are You Applying For?

### Merit Review Awards (equivalent to R01)

BLR&D & CSR&D: \$165K/yr, yr1 -yr4

HSR&D: \$1.2M / maximum 4 yrs

RR&D: \$1.2M / maximum 4 yrs

### Career Development Awards (equivalent to K08)

BLR&D & CSR&D: PI salary support & \$105K/yr1 - \$75K/yr, yr2 – yr5.

HSR&D: PI salary support & \$40K/yr, yr1 – yr3

RR&D PI salary support & \$75K/yr, yr1 - yr5

Pilot proposals, new proof of concept clinical trial RFA

Cooperative Studies Program (CSP) for clinical trials

Specific RFAs around areas of interest to VA Research

# VA Office of Research and Development (ORD)

Who are you applying to?

VA ORD is part of the VA Central Office (VACO) and operates 4 Service Lines:

Biomedical Laboratory Research & Development ([BLR&D](#))

Clinical Science Research & Development ([CSR&D](#))

Health Services Research & Development ([HSR&D](#))

Rehabilitation Research & Development ([RR&D](#))



# Research at the VA St. Louis Health Care System (VASTLHCS)

Over 75 active principal investigators

Over 150 active research studies: Basic research, translational research, rehabilitation, clinical epidemiology, and clinical trials

Thematic areas: cancer, obesity, diabetes, heart disease, metabolic diseases, dementia, Alzheimer's Disease, spinal cord injury, blood pressure, chronic pain, Traumatic Brain Injuries, Gulf War Exposures, male reproductive health, mental illness, substance abuse, aging and more

# Veterans Research and Education Foundation of Saint Louis @VREFSTL

46 Principal Investigators

27 Active Clinical Trials 5 Education Projects or Grants

6 Education projects or grants

3 Prime Award from DOD

8 Subawards

17 VREF Employees

Active in the Saint Louis area and the region

Outreach activities and fundraising – Social Media, events including Research Week, Annual Gala, Trivia Night, 5K runs, etc.

<https://www.vrefstl.org>



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Thank you for your time

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