

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS****Rehabilitation Research and
Development Service Scientific Merit
Review Board; Notice of Meetings**

The Department of Veterans Affairs
(VA) gives notice under the Federal

Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App.
2, that the subcommittees of the
Rehabilitation Research and
Development Service Scientific Merit
Review Board will meet from 8:00 a.m.
to 5:00 p.m. on the dates indicated
below:

Subcommittee	Date(s)	Location
Research Career Scientists	July 31, 2017	VA Central Office.*
Regenerative Medicine	August 1, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Sensory Systems/Communication Disorders	August 1, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Brain Injury: TBI & Stroke	August 1–2, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Psychological Health & Social Reintegration	August 1–2, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Rehabilitation Engineering & Prosthetics/Orthotics	August 2, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Aging & Neurodegenerative Disease	August 3, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Spinal Cord Injury	August 3, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Career Development Award Program	August 3–4, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Musculoskeletal/Orthopedic	August 3–4, 2017	VHA National Conference Center.
Center and Research Enhancement Award Program	September 13, 2017	Courtyard Arlington Crystal City/ Regan National Airport.

The addresses of the meeting sites are:
(*Teleconference). VA Central Office,
1100 First Street NE., Washington, DC
20002.

VHA National Conference Center,
2011 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA
22202.

The purpose of the Board is to review
rehabilitation research and development
applications and advise the Director,
Rehabilitation Research and
Development Service, and the Chief
Research and Development Officer on
the scientific and technical merit, the
mission relevance, and the protection of
human and animal subjects.

The subcommittee meetings will be
open to the public for approximately
one-half hour at the start of each
meeting to cover administrative matters
and to discuss the general status of the
program. Members of the public who
wish to attend the open portion of the
teleconference sessions may dial 1 (800)

767–1750, participant code 35847. The
remaining portion of each subcommittee
meeting will be closed to the public for
the discussion, examination, reference
to, and oral review of the research
applications and critiques. During the
closed portion of each subcommittee
meeting, discussion and
recommendations will include
qualifications of the personnel
conducting the studies (the disclosure of
which would constitute a clearly
unwarranted invasion of personal
privacy), as well as research information
(the premature disclosure of which
would likely compromise significantly
the implementation of proposed agency
action regarding such research projects).
As provided by subsection 10(d) of
Public Law 92–463, as amended by
Public Law 94–409, closing the meeting
is in accordance with 5 U.S.C.
552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

No oral or written comments will be
accepted from the public for either
portion of the meetings. Those who plan
to attend (by phone or in person) the
open portion of a subcommittee meeting
must contact Tiffany Asqueri,
Designated Federal Officer,
Rehabilitation Research and
Development Service, at Department of
Veterans Affairs (10P9R), 810 Vermont
Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or
email tiffany.asqueri@va.gov at least 5
days before the meeting. For further
information, please call Mrs. Asqueri at
(202) 443–5757.

Dated: June 22, 2017.

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Officer.*

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