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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 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the dates indicated below:

Subcommittee	Date(s)	Location
Career Development Award Program	August 6, 2013	VHA National Conference Center
Musculoskeletal/Orthopedic Rehabilitation	August 6-7, 2013	VHA National Conference Center
Psychological Health and Social Reintegration	August 6-7, 2013	VHA National Conference Center
Regenerative Medicine	August 7, 2013	Department of Education
Sensory Systems/ Communication	August 7, 2013	VHA National Conference Center
Aging and Neurodegenerative Disease	August 8, 2013	VHA National Conference Center
Career Development Award Program	August 8, 2013	VHA National Conference Center
Spinal Cord Injury	August 8, 2013	*VA Central Office
Research Career Scientists	August 10, 2013	*VA Central Office
Rehabilitation Engineering and Prosthetics/Orthotics	August 13, 2013	Department of Education
Brain Injury: TBI and Stroke	August 14-15, 2013	Department of Education

The addresses of the meeting sites are:

Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202.

VA Central Office, 131 M Street NE, Washington, DC 20002. (*Teleconference)

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. 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 comments will be accepted from the public for either portion of the meetings. Those who plan to attend the open portion of a subcommittee meeting should 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. Written comments may be submitted to Ms. Benton-Grover at the same address and email. For further information, please call Mrs. Asqueri at (202) 443-5757.

Date: August 12, 2013.

By Direction of the Secretary:

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Committee Management Officer

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