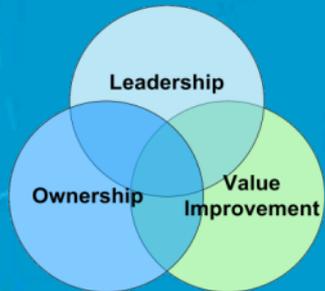


Research Service Update

April 2013

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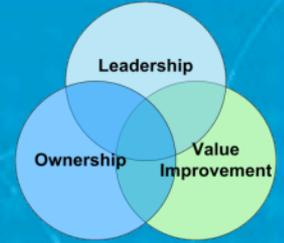


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Good News



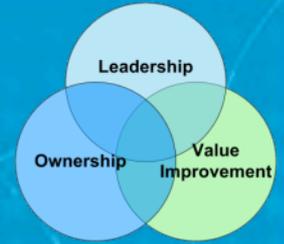
- John Davis—30 year VA service pin
- Carol Bohanan- 10 year VA service pin
- Dr. Benita McVicker and Dr. Mark Carlson –new investigators awards at UNMC next week
- Dr. Benita McVicker- Dept of Internal Medicine Basic Science Research Faculty award this spring

Good News



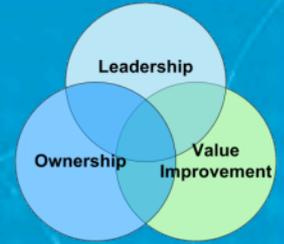
- Research Service was recognized as being “the star” in the recent facility privacy site visit.
- Research Service spill drill went well—kudos to Ronda for her contribution to that.
- Other good news?
- Introductions?

Hospital news



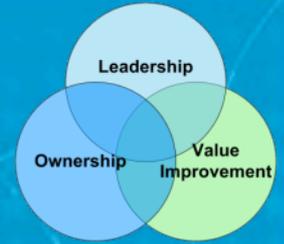
- Denise Harrison is new Associate Director—appointed in February.
- Dr. JoAnn Porter is Acting Chief of Staff until end of June. Dr. Steven Julius, VISN CMO, will serve in that role until new COS appointed.
- Operating rooms currently shut down for repairs—hopefully some will be opening in mid-May.
- VA NWIHCS led the nation for clinical video telehealth appointments in 2012; VA NWIHCS had 16,621 encounters with telehealth service.

Hospital news



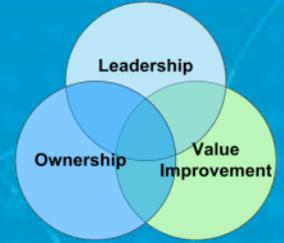
- Dr. Porter has created a new position to help researchers, especially residents and fellows, with accessing VA data for research purposes as well as helping with biostatistics and potentially study design. Job description is being constructed. We will announce when it is posted so it can be shared with persons who may be interested.

News from Central Office



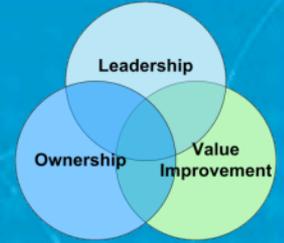
- Dr. Joel Koppersmith, Chief Research and Development Officer, is stepping down.
- Under his tenure, there has been creation of a major Genomics program (MVP), establishment of a Central Institutional Review Board, improved communications to increase public and stakeholder awareness of VA research, increased collaboration with Veterans representative groups, academics and other partners, and increases and advances in comparative effectiveness research.

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Publication of Quarter



- Selected from those manuscripts that had been recorded in our database (our process for helping VA investigators meet their obligation to appropriately acknowledge VA in their work and to communicate published work to Central Office).
- Published (not epub ahead of publication)
- First or senior author is VA affiliated investigator
- Impact factor of journal

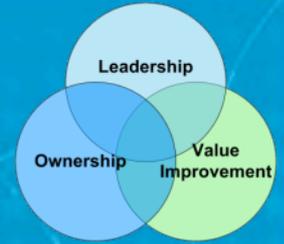
Publication of Quarter (Jan-Mar 2013)



Multilevel regulation of autophagosome content by ethanol oxidation in HepG2 cells, *Autophagy*, 2013 Jan.; 9(1):63-73. Thomes PG, Ehlers RA, Trambly CS, Clemens DL, Fox HS, Tuma DJ, Donohue TM.

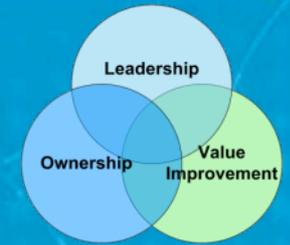
Thanks to Drs. Hudson and Hamel for getting list of eligible manuscripts together!

Regarding Publications



- Remember—if you have a 5/8th or greater VA position, you are to list VA as your first affiliation and academic affiliation second. (True for presentations as well as publications).
- Make sure you acknowledge VA grants when used to support work you are publishing.

Regarding Publications



When you submit a manuscript, you also need to submit to our RAO using form from our **website** so we can check affiliation information.

We keep in database and you can let us know when accepted.

(This is database from which publication of quarter will be selected.)

Complete this form for each item being reviewed prior to submission and send electronically to the [Research Admin Office](#) (douglas.stoehr@va.gov). For additional guidance, refer to Research's policy and procedures regarding [Reporting and Documentation of Research Manuscripts, Presentations, and Research Results](#).

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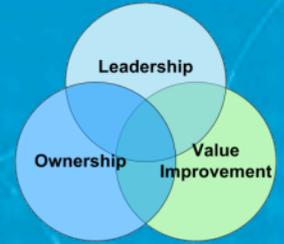


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Local Announcements/Reminders



Welcome Spring (finally!) and soon...

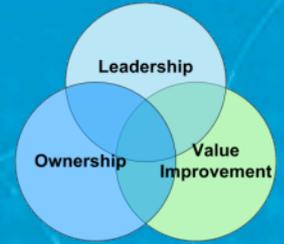
Welcome students to Research Service!

Local Announcements/Reminders



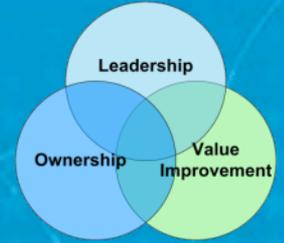
- PI—complete personnel initiation form (on our website) & initiate process of credentialing students before students are on site. Add them to your relevant approved research projects.
- Everyone—help our students feel welcome—they are our future investigators, providers, VA employees, and possibly veterans.
 - Offer guidance if you see them about to do something incorrectly; provide feedback to their PI if you feel there are repeat issues.

Safety and Summer (at work)



- Dress for safety at the bench—long pants, covered shoes.
- Dress professionally when working in patient care areas.

Announcements/Reminders



- VA Office of Research Oversight (ORO) will visit us this summer for a R&D committee and Human Studies Protection Plan evaluation (in July)
- One potential “hot topic” is making sure committees are identifying collaborative research.
 - Same research being done at VA and academic affiliate lead by same PI. Need to define what is done on VA time and what is done on outside time. Need to state that data will be combined and where data will reside, etc.
 - PIs- make sure memorandum of understanding between VA and affiliate is updated to reflect effort being spent at each site.

Reporting Concerns



- We should have a “crew” culture—if you see me about to make a mistake, it is your responsibility to speak up.
- If someone is repeatedly making an error, you should make their supervisor aware. If you are not comfortable with that, you should bring it to Drs. Hudson, Hamel, or Romberger.
- If you are not comfortable with that or feel we have not been responsive, you should discuss with Research Compliance Officer Thom Sinnette.

Announcements/Reminders



- Animal researchers....coming soon....new ACORP (version 4) forms!
- Requires more detail and has separate sets of instructions that is very important for PIs to use as in filling out the new forms.

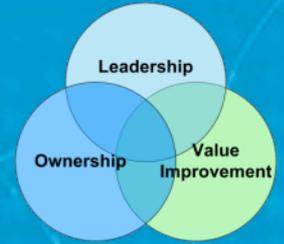
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BUDGET REPORTS & END OF FY 2013 EXPENDITURES

All investigators with VA money should have received updated budget expenditures reports in the last week along with a recap showing how much is left to spend out. Please budget remaining funds and spend accordingly over the next 4 ½ months to avoid the delays caused by the last quarter ordering crunch. (Plan to have all orders in by early August).

Announcements/Reminders

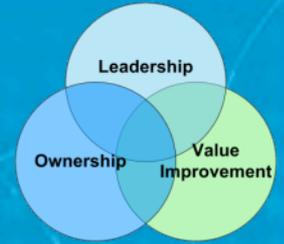


END OF FY 13 IPA MODIFICATIONS – DUE DATE: JULY 1, 2013

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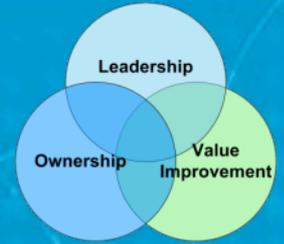
PREPARATION OF NEW FY 14 IPAS – DUE DATE: JULY 15, 2013

Announcements/Reminders



Because of the large volume of IPAs, the Research Budget Analyst needs to have any modifications for FY 2013 agreements by July 1, 2013 and new agreements for FY 2014 by July 15, 2013. If you are preparing a modification to the current year (FY 2013) IPA agreement and are going to extend the IPA for the next fiscal year (FY 2014-Oct 1, 2013-September 30, 2014), you may want to prepare and submit them both at the same time with the due in date of July 1, 2013. This would allow you to contact the individual on the IPA agreement once for signatures instead of twice. Because these agreements are reviewed for appropriateness, completeness, and accuracy by Research administration and the VA Human Resource and Fiscal Departments before they are forwarded to the VA Director for signature, please allow a minimum of three weeks for processing.

Did you know?



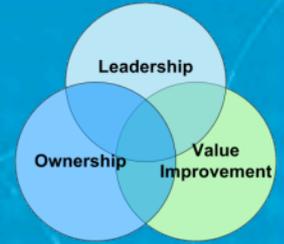
- VA Office of Rural Health funds projects that can involve research. Dr. Kathleen Grant has one of these.
- Typically applications due April 1- one page document.
- Initial review- invited to provide 5 page document of defining the deliverables.
- MD time is reimbursed.

Did you know?



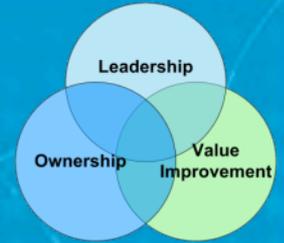
- Meghan Langel (on Dr. Levan's research team) is completing her MPH at UNMC. Her service learning and capstone project was done at our VA.

Spreading the word...



- ACOS/R gave 3 research updates to veteran stakeholders groups (GI-by pictel; Lincoln; Omaha) in the past month.
- ACOS/R presented to Research Resource Board at UNMC in past month.

National VA Research Week (May 13-17)



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DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

“Risk Factors and Mechanisms
for Pancreatic Cancer:
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MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2013

12:00 P.M.

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Stephen Pandol, MD, PhD
Professor, Medicine
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Dr. Pandol presenting at VA
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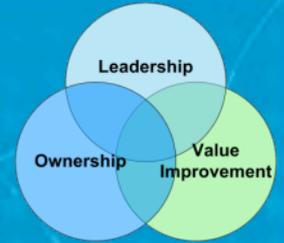
“What is needed for Acute
Pancreatitis Therapeutics?”

VA Research Week May 13-17



- Lunch for those affiliated with Research Service on Monday, May 13 at 11:30AM.
- Poster display on Tuesday May 14th in the AM on 3rd floor library area.
- Friday May 17th, 8:30AM Research seminar by Dr. Kristin Nichol, Chief of Medicine at Minneapolis VA “Influenza: Why we should care & what we should be doing about it”.
- Friday May 17th 9:45AM- Friend of VA Research award to Dr. Rowen Zetterman.
- Thanks to the Education committee led by Dr. Davis for all their work on VA Research week.

Good news for her!



- Nancy Vohl Walkenhorst will be retiring at beginning of June—good for her but we will miss her very much!
- Save the date of May 30 noon-2PM for a Research Service celebration of Nancy. Details to follow.

Open Discussion

