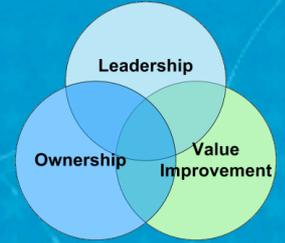
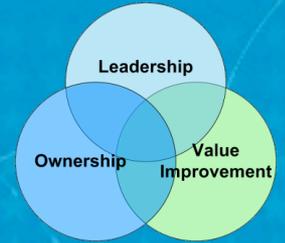


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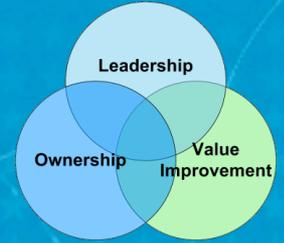
- Good news
- Hospital news
- News from Central Office
- Academic affiliation-related news
- Research Service Committees
- Local Research Service info
- Reminders
- Open discussion

Good News



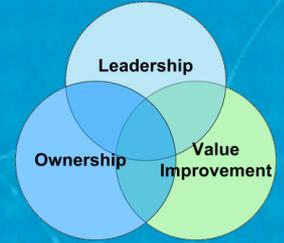
- Dr. Carol Casey—15 year service award
- Other good news items?
- Introductions
 - Joseph Burt-Miller in RAO
 - ADPAC, IT, some contracts
 - Other introductions?

Hospital news



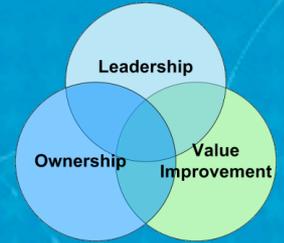
- New structure for governance—Council for Academic Excellence; co-chairs are ACOS/E and ACOS/R. This council reports to Executive Leadership Board (ELB).
- NWI received 6 million \$ for projects from VISN—replacing chillers, boilers, and some elevators.
- Replacement hospital remains on the list—but timeline uncertain.

News from local affiliates



- Creighton has new permanent Dean of College of Medicine- Dr. Robert “Bo” Dunlay.
- UNMC has new Chancellor—Dr. Jeffrey Gold, starting in February.

News from Central Office



- **QUERI program-Quality Enhancement Research Initiative**

- The QUERI centers focus on 10 high-risk and/or highly prevalent diseases or conditions among veterans.

- [Chronic Heart Failure \(CHF\) QUERI](#)

- [Diabetes QUERI](#)

- [eHealth QUERI](#)

- [HIV/Hepatitis QUERI](#)

- [Ischemic Heart Disease \(IHD\) QUERI](#)

- [Mental Health \(MH\) QUERI](#)

- [Polytrauma and Blast-Related Injuries \(PT/BRI\) QUERI](#)

- [Spinal Cord Injury \(SCI\) QUERI](#)

- [Stroke QUERI](#)

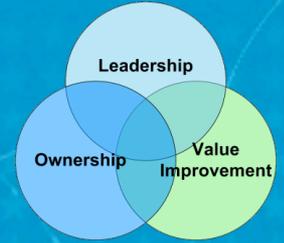
- [Substance Use Disorders \(SUD\) QUERI](#)

Partnered Rapid Response Projects

(RRPs): The RRP is QUERI's principal mechanism to study the process of implementing new treatments or care processes in VA. Partnered RRP's have a Central Office or VISN-level health system partner, address implementation of evidence-based treatments or models of care in a VA priority area, and fall outside of the content areas currently covered by the 10 existing QUERI Centers. A separate RFA exists for applicants interested in submitting a proposal relevant to an existing QUERI Center. **RRPs are limited to a budget of \$100,000 and a duration of one year.**

QUERI Service-Directed Projects (SDPs): The SDP mechanism focuses on facilitating the adoption of new treatments, tests, and models of care into routine clinical practice. QUERI is interested in studies that: 1) Test novel implementation intervention strategies to facilitate the evidence-based practices; 2) Involve the implementation of promising clinical interventions of potential high impact in VA, as well as the assessment of both clinical effectiveness and implementation; 3) Involve partnerships with VHA leaders, managers, and policymakers at local, network, and national levels that provide insight on implementation approaches or test sustainable tools, processes, and infrastructures that support implementation; and/or 4) Take advantage of "natural experiments" that involve the rollout of effective programs or promising clinical interventions of potential high impact on healthcare for Veterans. **SDPs are limited to a maximum budget of \$1.1 million and a duration of 4 years.**

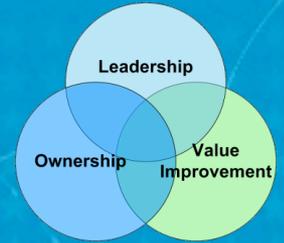
News from Central Office



- ORD has updated website
- National VA Research week May 19-23, 2014

Research Service committees

Jan-Dec 2014



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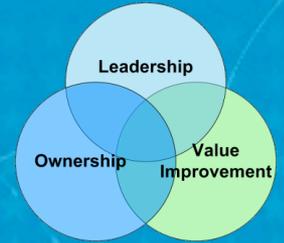
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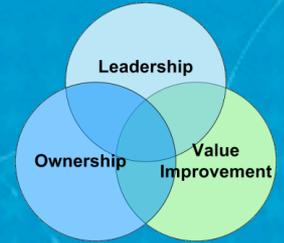
Ad hoc committees

IACUC



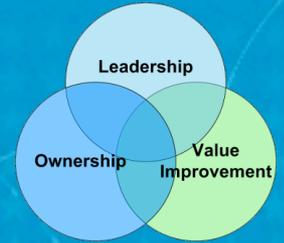
- Dr. McVicker, Chair
- Dr. Casey, Vice-chair
- Dr. Cordes
- Dr. Thiele
- Dr. Gene White
- Dr. Cheng
- Dr. Thomes
- Paul Schroeder and Ted Neher (community members)
- Robert Wiegert
- Rich Surber
- Dr. Ellis

IRB



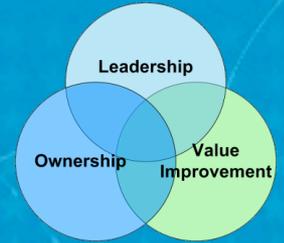
- Elisabeth Chandler, R.Ph., Pharm. D., Chair
- Gale Etherton, MD, Vice Chair
- Kathleen Grant, MD
- Tricia LeVan, PhD
- Mary Salter, DPN, APRN, NP-C
- Lee Morrow, MD
- Sara Myers, PhD
- Michael Duryee, M.S.
- Justin Frazer, R.Ph., Pharm. D
- Jesse Statham and Orville Knapp (community members)

Safety



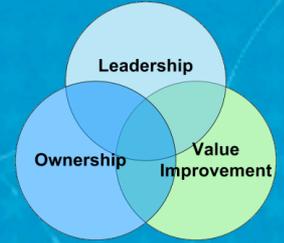
- Dr. Clemens, Chair
- Dr. Wyatt
- Megan Hollibaugh, BS
- Robin Fried, MBA, CHSP (safety office rep)
- Dr. Osna
- Dr. Viswanathan
- Robert Wiegert
- Ex-officio: Dr. Davis (R&D), Dan McVicker (Chemical Hygiene Officer and Vice-Chair), Amber Moore (AFGE rep)

R&D Committee



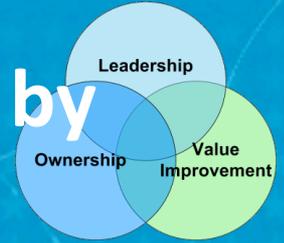
- Dr. Davis, Chair
- Dr. Desouza, Vice-chair
- Dr. Robert Anderson
- Dr. Bennett
- Dr. Ganti
- Dr. Kharbanda
- Dr. Thiele

Clinical Research Unit Subcommittee



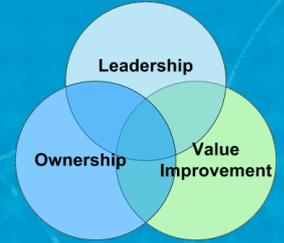
- Dr. Anderson, Chair
- Dr. Ganti
- Dr. Dewan
- Dr. Mikuls
- Dr. Pipinos
- Dr. Ramaswamy
- Eileen Kingston
- Megan Hollibaugh, CRU manager

Other special committees (not appointed by Director)



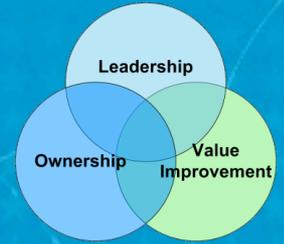
- Education (seminar series and Research week)- Dr. Davis is Chair.
- Space & Equipment- Dr. Hamel as Deputy ACOS/R is Chair.

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). Suggest combining them (VA NWIHCS Research Service and affiliate & dept).
- Make sure you acknowledge VA grants when used to support work you are publishing.
- R&D committee required to do annual evaluation of affiliation/acknowledgement. (we do random sampling of about 10 investigators each year; send you note to let you know if you were audited.)

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](mailto:douglas.stoehr@va.gov) (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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Press or Publicity. Is this anticipated? If applicable, please explain further whether findings are likely to be controversial, sensitive or particularly newsworthy, or have especially important implications for the VHA:

VA Funding Source(s): BLR&D CSR&D HSR&D RR&D Other VA

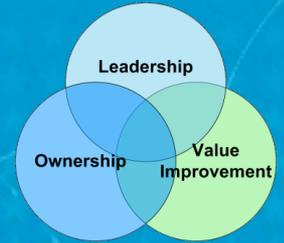
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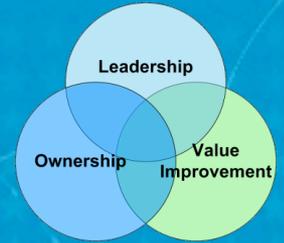
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Research dollars (RDIS report)



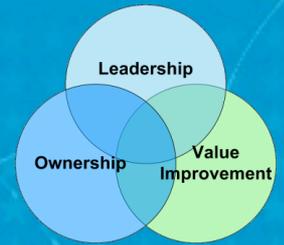
	2013	2012
• Department of Veterans Affairs	\$ 2,840,953	\$3,008,035
• National Institute of Health (NIH)	\$ 1,513,017	\$1,934,195
• Other U.S. Federal Agency	\$ 1,163,386	\$2,337,719
• Academic Institutions, Donor or Govt.	\$ 1,818,123	\$2,325,191
• Private Proprietary Company	\$ 210,808	\$194,243
• Voluntary Agency or Foundation	\$ 253,527	\$292,217
TOTAL	\$ 7,781,814	\$10,091,600

\$\$ from Central Office



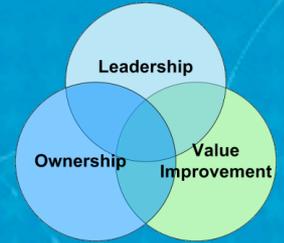
- From Central office for Research Administration locally = *\$381,117 expected in FY2014* [compares with \$370,105 (FY13), \$296, 047 (FY12) \$348,291(FY11) \$375,643 (FY10)]
- Our costs last yr= \$562,641 (FY13) [compares with \$523, 534 (FY 12)]—don't have FY14 numbers
- Last year net negative difference of **\$192,536** [at least **\$181,524** in FY14 & probably more].

Local Announcements/Reminders



- Need scope of practice for each person placed on a project & that scope needs to be reviewed annually. Going forward, R&D letters will not be signed and sent until all scopes for a project are on file.
- If the duties of personnel change, need to update scope.
- New Conflict of Interest forms will be on our website after we have our January “roll outs” (These are on Jan 28 at 8:30 AM and Jan 30 at 1PM– please have at least one member of research team there.)
- Always go to our website to pull down forms when starting a new application to assure you are using most recent forms.

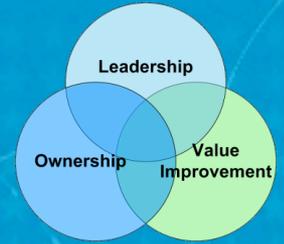
Equipment



- The Research Service has recently acquired a Mobile Fluoroscopic System. The *General Electric OEC 9800 Plus* has replaced the much older Phillips System. This unit is located in R121 in the Animal Research Facility. This unit is available for use.

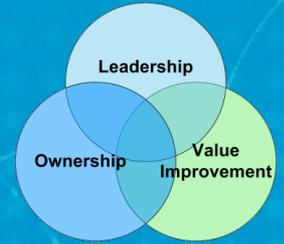


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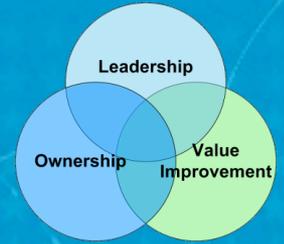
- Hospital radiology technicians will be made available to train a PI or technician in the safe operating procedures of the C-arm should a project require the use of this instrument. We have been told that TMS will soon have a course for those wishing to use radiation producing equipment and anyone desiring to use the C-arm should first take this TMS course and pass the test. Bill Boyd or Sally Astorino are the points of contact for training and can be reached at 3341.

Equipment



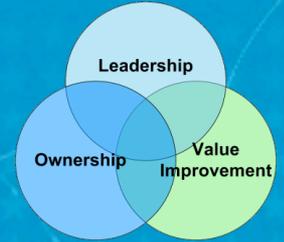
- There are some pieces of equipment available for transfer to your EIL from the labs of Drs. Happe and Gorby. There is a list of the equipment, with picture and approximate purchase date e-mailed yesterday. If you are interested in any of the equipment, please see Dan McVicker or Dr. Hamel for details. Please indicate your interest by January 31. Equipment will be distributed on a first come-first served basis. Any equipment not claimed by that date will be excessed.

Announcements/Reminders



- April is Occupational Health and Safety screening month. All personnel listed on active animal protocols must fill out animal handler questionnaire. Occ Health uses this screening to determine if appointments are needed. Make sure contact (phone or e-mail) is correct/current on forms.
- For VA funded investigators—submit IT needs specific to the grant to Dr. Hudson (does not cover new computers,laptops for office, etc)

Announcements/Reminders



- Upcoming March BLRD/CSRD VA grant cycle—need version to R&D coordinator by January 24 for Feb R&D committee review.



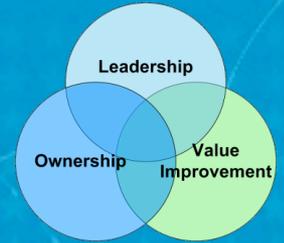
Horses can give you a ride to your destination—a sign of speedy success!

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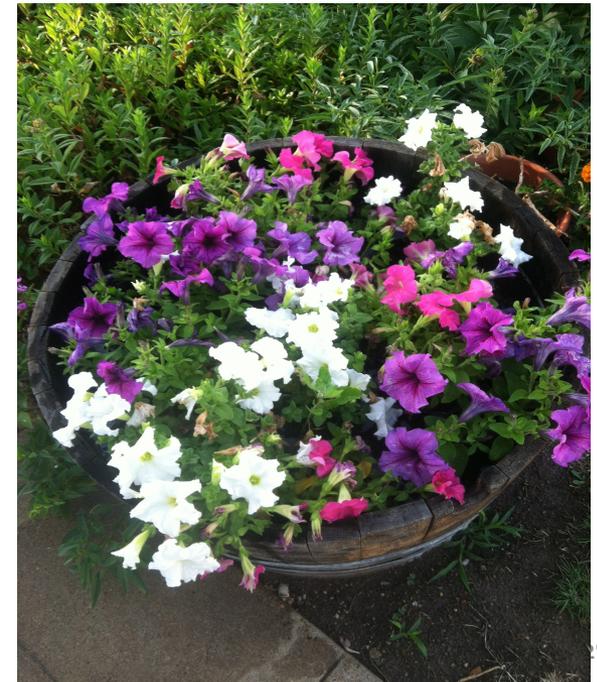
Seeing in the **red** versus seeing in the **green**



Open Discussion



Yes, it's winter....



Next Research Service update in the Spring!