

WHAT'S NEW

The Charleston VA Medical Center's Research Program has undergone review for accreditation by the Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs (AAHRPP). The review of our policies, procedures, and the overall scope of our program to protect veterans who volunteer to participate in research studies went very well. This also included a site visit, which demonstrated a strong commitment to our human subjects protection program by investigators and staff, and a clear understanding by our veterans of the studies in which they are participating. At present, we are awaiting the accreditation review by AAHRPP of our academic affiliate, MUSC, since we jointly share our Institutional Review Boards.

Lots and lots of congratulations are due to the staff and veterans who are involved in our research program. Congratulations! We're all proud of you!