



**Career Development Program Update:
Biomedical Laboratory R&D Service and Clinical Science R&D Service**

For application to the Fall 2004 Career Development round of review, a Letter of Intent (LOI) must be approved prior to an application being submitted. All LOIs should follow the written instructions in Appendix A of VHA Handbook 1202.3 (Medical Research Service, Career Development Program Handbook) posted on the R&D web site at:

<http://www1.va.gov/resdev/directive/Edited-Career-Development-Handbook.pdf>

However, please note that the LOI and Proposal Submission Calendars recently posted on the ORD web site supersede submission deadlines contained in the VHA Handbook. As noted on the calendars, **current deadlines** for the **BLR&D and CSR&D Career Development program** are **April 15** (no longer March 15) for LOIs (for the Fall 2004 review) and **June 15** for proposals (for the Fall 2004 review).

http://www1.va.gov/resdev/funding/timeline_spring04.cfm

(Note: VHA Handbook 1202.3 was written for the former Medical Research Service. The handbook now applies to the Career Development Program of Biomedical Laboratory R&D Service (BLR&D) and Clinical Science R&D Service (CSR&D)).

The following mailing address must be used:

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For applications under consideration in Spring 2004, review meetings will be conducted in late April.

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