

***Fiscal Year 2019 Department of Defense Vision Research Program (VRP)
Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements***

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| <p>Focused Translational Team Science Award (FTTSA) Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Announcement • General Application Instructions <p>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: W81XWH-19-VRP-FTTSA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The overall lead Principal Investigator (PI) must be an independent investigator at or above the level of Associate Professor (or equivalent) with demonstrated success in leading large collaborative research project(s). • The overall lead PI is required to devote a minimum of 20% effort to this award. • Leaders of individual projects may be independent investigators at all academic levels (or equivalent). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i> • Supports a highly collaborative and translational team initiative that will fundamentally advance the understanding and treatment of eye injury and/or visual dysfunction that result from a military-relevant trauma. • Must address one or more of the FY19 VRP Focus Areas. • Applications shall include at least three but no more than five distinct research projects that together form a concerted and synergistic effort to address an overarching challenge. • Preliminary data required for each individual project. • One of the projects may include a pilot clinical trial where limited clinical testing of a novel intervention is conducted to inform the feasibility, rationale, and design of subsequent clinical trials. • Must have a detailed Implementation Plan for participating research groups to coordinate efforts, facilitate collaboration, and create synergy. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum funding of \$5,000,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). • The maximum period of performance is 4 years. | <p>Pre-Application (Preproposal): August 6, 2019 5:00 p.m. ET</p> <p>Application: December 6, 2019 11:59 p.m. ET</p> |
| <p>Investigator-Initiated Research Award (IIRA) Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Announcement • General Application Instructions | <p>Independent investigators at all academic levels (or equivalent).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i> • Supports studies that will yield highly impactful discoveries or major advancements in the research and/or patient care of eye injury and/or visual dysfunction as related to military-relevant trauma. • Must address one or more of the FY19 VRP Focus | <p>Funding Level 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum funding of \$260,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). • The maximum period of | <p>Pre-Application (Preproposal): August 6, 2019 5:00 p.m. ET</p> <p>Application:</p> |

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| <p>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: <u>W81XWH-19-VRP-IIRA</u></p> | | <p>Areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding Level 1 supports exploratory, high-risk/high-reward research in the earliest stages of development. No preliminary data is required. • Funding Level 2 supports the advancement of more mature research toward clinical translation. Preliminary data required. • It is the responsibility of the applicant to select the funding level that is most appropriate for the research proposed. The funding level should be selected based on the stage and maturity of the research, rather than the amount of the budget. • Clinical trials are not allowed. | <p>performance is 2 years.</p> <p>Funding Level 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum funding of \$500,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). • The maximum period of performance is 3 years. | <p>December 6, 2019 11:59 p.m. ET</p> |
| <p>Translational Research Award (TRA) Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Announcement • General Application Instructions <p>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: <u>W81XWH-19-VRP-TRA</u></p> | <p>Independent investigators at all academic levels (or equivalent).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i> • Supports translational research that moves promising discoveries into clinical applications. • It is expected that an Investigational New Drug (IND)/Investigational Device Exemption (IDE) application will be submitted during or by the end of the period of performance. • Must address one or more of the FY19 VRP Focus Areas. • Preliminary data required. • Expansion of a highly impactful research project that was previously funded through a VRP funding opportunity is encouraged but not required. • May include a pilot clinical trial component where limited clinical testing of a novel intervention is conducted to inform the feasibility, rationale, and design of subsequent clinical trials. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum funding of \$750,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). • The maximum period of performance is 3 years. | <p>Pre-Application (Preproposal): August 6, 2019 5:00 p.m. ET</p> <p>Application: December 6, 2019 11:59 p.m. ET</p> |