I. OVERVIEW OF THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Program Announcement for the Department of Defense

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Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs

Prostate Cancer Research Program

Translational Science Award

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Funding Opportunity Number: W81XWH-22-PCRP-TSA

Assistance Listing Number: 12.420 Military Medical Research and Development

SUBMISSION AND REVIEW DATES AND TIMES

- Pre-Application Submission Deadline: 5:00 p.m. Eastern time (ET), August 4, 2022
- Application Submission Deadline: 11:59 p.m. ET, August 25, 2022
- End of Application Verification Period: 5:00 p.m. ET, August 30, 2022
- **Peer Review:** November 2022
- Programmatic Review: January 2023

This program announcement must be read in conjunction with the General Application Instructions, version 702. The General Application Instructions document is available for downloading from the Grants.gov funding opportunity announcement by selecting the "Package" tab, clicking "Preview," and then selecting "Download Instructions."

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II. DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

II.A. Program Description

Applications to the Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) Prostate Cancer Research Program (PCRP) are being solicited by the U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA) using delegated authority provided by United States Code, Title 10, Section 2358 (10 USC 2358). The execution management agent for this program announcement is the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP) at the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command (USAMRDC). The PCRP was initiated in 1997 to promote innovative research focused on eradicating prostate cancer. Appropriations for the PCRP from FY97 through FY21 totaled \$2.04 billion. The FY22 appropriation is \$110 million (M).

The PCRP seeks to promote highly innovative, groundbreaking research; high-impact research with near-term clinical relevance; the next generation of prostate cancer investigators through mentored research; and resources that will facilitate translational research.

II.A.1. FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenges

The Mission of the FY22 PCRP is to fund research that will lead to the elimination of death from prostate cancer and enhance the well-being of Service Members, Veterans, and all the men and their families who are experiencing the impact of the disease. Within this context, the PCRP is interested in supporting research that addresses specific gaps in prostate cancer research and clinical care; therefore, applications are *required to address one or more* of the following FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenges:

• Improve quality of life to enhance outcomes and overall health and wellness for those impacted by prostate cancer

Applications should aim to understand the impact of prostate cancer on quality of life for the cancer survivor, their family, caregivers, and their community with the goal of improving and enhancing quality of life and overall health and wellness. Studies should consider both shortand long-term quality of life outcomes. Areas of particular interest include:

- The mental and emotional health of patients and their families/caregivers
- Impact of quality of life considerations on decision-making after diagnosis and/or treatment
- Identification of vulnerable groups of men and their families at great risk of quality of life detriments
- Translation of factors or interventions that improve quality of life outcomes and overall health and wellness

• Develop treatments that improve outcomes for men with lethal prostate cancer

Applications must be directly related to prostate cancer with a high risk of death, including high-risk, very high-risk, and metastatic prostate cancer. Applications should not focus on active surveillance, low-risk and intermediate-risk prostate cancer and/or biochemical recurrence. Refer to the National Comprehensive Cancer Network guidelines for risk assessment definitions. (<u>https://www.nccn.org/patients/guidelines/content/PDF/prostate-advanced-patient.pdf</u>).

• Advance health equity and reduce disparities in prostate cancer

Applications must be directly relevant to the better understanding and/or reduction of inequities and disparities that impact a person, their family, or their caregiver's ability to prevent, detect, manage, and survive prostate cancer.

Inequities may arise from socioeconomic status, race or ethnicity, geography, environment, lifestyle, sexual and/or gender identification, access to care (in rural or urban settings), or other factors.

Health inequities may include physical, mental, or emotional health differences, as well as social and financial differences experienced primarily in high-risk or underserved prostate cancer patients.

High-risk populations include, but are not limited to, people of African descent (including Caribbean), genetically predisposed populations, Service Members, and Veterans.

Underserved populations include, but are not limited to, men with limited access to clinical care and resources (in rural or urban settings), and sexual and/or gender minorities.

• Define the biology of prostate cancer progression to lethal prostate cancer to reduce death

Applications must be directly related to high-risk, very high-risk, and metastatic prostate cancer. Refer to the National Comprehensive Cancer Network guidelines for risk assessment definitions (<u>https://www.nccn.org/patients/guidelines/content/PDF/prostate-advanced-patient.pdf</u>).

II.B. Award Information

The FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award mechanism supports advanced translational research that will foster transformation of promising ideas in prostate cancer into clinical applications, ultimately providing a solution to one or more of the <u>FY22 PCRP Overarching</u> <u>Challenges</u>. Translational research may be defined as an integration of basic science and clinical observations. Observations that drive a research idea may originate from a laboratory discovery, population-based studies, or a clinician's firsthand knowledge of patient care. *Principal Investigators (PIs) should not view translational research as a one-way continuum from bench to bedside, but can include a reciprocal flow of ideas and information between basic*

science and clinical science (bench to bedside and/or bedside to bench). This mechanism is intended to fund a broad range of translational studies including, but not limited to, the following:

- Advanced preclinical studies aimed at translating results from animal studies to applications with human samples/cohorts (The Translational Science Award is *not* intended to support initial mechanistic studies of a new target.)
- Late-stage preclinical work leading to/preparing for a clinical trial, e.g., an Investigational New Drug application submission
- Correlative studies that are associated with an open/ongoing or completed clinical trial, e.g., projects that utilize biospecimens from clinical trials to improve clinical management of prostate cancer and/or define new areas of research
- Projects that develop endpoints for clinical trials

Preliminary data to support the scientific rationale and feasibility of the research approaches are required. The inclusion of additional preliminary data to support the clinical relevance of the idea is strongly encouraged.

Applications should carefully consider study sample size to ensure that the study results will be able to support valid conclusions and further translation towards clinical application. It is the applicant's responsibility to demonstrate access to the required resources or populations necessary for the study and to provide sufficient evidence that the sample size is appropriate to meet the objectives of the study. Additional guidance regarding statistical rigor for preclinical studies is provided at the end of this section.

As the ultimate goal of translational research is to move a concept or observation forward into clinical application, applications must include a detailed transition plan that articulates the pathway to moving the project's findings to the next phase of development after successful completion of the award and how the PI(s) will continue advancing the research toward making a clinical impact, even if clinical impact is not an immediate outcome.

Research involving human subjects is permitted under this funding opportunity; however, *clinical trials are not allowed.* Correlative studies associated with an existing clinical trial are particularly encouraged, provided they are determined to be no greater than minimal risk by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) of record and the USAMRDC, Office of Research Protections (ORP), Human Research Protection Office (HRPO).

Partnering PI Option: The FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award encourages applications that include meaningful and productive collaborations between investigators. The PIs may have expertise in similar or disparate scientific disciplines, but each PI is expected to bring distinct contributions to the application; *collaborations between basic science and clinical researchers are highly encouraged*. The Partnering PI Option is structured to accommodate two PIs. One PI will be identified as the Initiating PI and will be responsible for the majority of the administrative tasks associated with application submission. The other PI will be identified as a Partnering PI. Both PIs should contribute significantly to the development of the proposed research project,

including the Project Narrative, Statement of Work (SOW), and other required components. If recommended for funding, each PI will be named to an individual award within the recipient organization. For individual submission requirements for the Initiating and Partnering PI, refer to Section II.D.2, Content and Form of the Application Submission.

The types of awards made under the program announcement will be assistance agreements. An assistance agreement is appropriate when the federal government transfers a "thing of value" to a "state, local government," or "other recipient" to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law of the United States instead of acquiring property or service for the direct benefit and use of the U.S. government. An assistance agreement can take the form of a grant or cooperative agreement. The level of involvement on the part of the Department of Defense (DOD) during project performance is the key factor in determining whether to award a grant or cooperative agreement. If "no substantial involvement" on the part of the funding agency is anticipated, a grant award will be made (31 USC 6304). Conversely, if substantial involvement on the part of the funding agency is anticipated, a cooperative agreement will be made (31 USC 6305), and the award will identify the specific substantial involvement. Substantial involvement may include, but is not limited to, collaboration, participation, or intervention in the research to be performed under the award. The award type, along with the start date, will be determined during the negotiation process.

A congressionally mandated Metastatic Cancer Task Force was formed with the purpose of identifying ways to help accelerate clinical and translational research aimed at extending the lives of advanced state and recurrent patients. As a member of the Metastatic Cancer Task Force, the CDMRP encourages applicants to review the recommendations (https://health.mil/Reference-Center/Congressional-Testimonies/2018/05/03/Metastatic-Cancer-Research) and submit research ideas to address these recommendations, provided they are within the limitations of this funding opportunity and fit within the FY22 PCRP priorities.

The proposed research must be relevant to active-duty Service Members, Veterans, military beneficiaries, and/or the American public. Collaborations between researchers at military or Veteran institutions and non-military institutions are strongly encouraged. These relationships can leverage knowledge, infrastructure, and access to unique clinical populations that the partners bring to the research effort, ultimately advancing cancer research that is of significance to the Warfighter, military families, and the American public.

The anticipated direct costs budgeted for the entire period of performance for an FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award will not exceed **\$900,000**. Refer to <u>Section II.D.5, Funding</u> <u>Restrictions</u>, for detailed funding information.

Awards will be made no later than September 30, 2023. For additional information, refer to <u>Section II.F.1, Federal Award Notices</u>.

The CDMRP expects to allot approximately \$7.2M to fund approximately five Translational Science Award applications. Funding of applications received is contingent upon the availability of federal funds for this program as well as the number of applications received, the quality and merit of the applications as evaluated by scientific and programmatic review, and the requirements of the government. Funds to be obligated on any award resulting from

this funding opportunity will be available for use for a limited time period based on the fiscal year of the funds. It is anticipated that awards made from this FY23 funding opportunity will be funded with FY23 funds, which will expire for use on September 30, 2028.

Research Involving Human Anatomical Substances, Human Subjects, or Human Cadavers: All DOD-funded research involving new and ongoing research with human anatomical substances, human subjects, or human cadavers must be reviewed and approved by the USAMRDC ORP HRPO prior to research implementation. This administrative review requirement is in addition to the local IRB or Ethics Committee (EC) review. Local IRB/EC approval at the time of submission is *not* required. Allow up to 3 months to complete the HRPO regulatory review and approval process following submission of *all required and complete* documents to the HRPO. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 1, and the HRPO Resources and Overview document available on the electronic Biomedical Research Application Portal (eBRAP) "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>) for additional information.

If the proposed research involves more than one institution, a written plan for single IRB review arrangements must be provided at the time of application submission or award negotiation. The lead institution responsible for developing the master protocol and master consent form should be identified and should be the single point of contact for regulatory submissions and requirements.

Clinical research is defined as: (1) Patient-oriented research. Research conducted with human subjects (or on material of human origin such as tissues, specimens, and cognitive phenomena) for which an investigator (or colleague) directly interacts with human subjects. Excluded from this definition are in vitro studies that utilize human tissues that cannot be linked to a living individual. Patient-oriented research includes: (a) mechanisms of human disease, (b) therapeutic interventions, (c) clinical trials, and (d) development of new technologies. (2) Epidemiologic and behavioral studies. (3) Outcomes research and health services research. *Note:* Studies that meet the requirements for IRB Exemption 4 are not considered CDMRP-defined clinical research. IRB Exemption 4 refers to research involving the collection or study of existing de-identified specimens or data, if these sources are publicly available.

Clinical trials are not allowed. A clinical trial is defined as a research study in which one or more human subjects are prospectively assigned to one or more interventions (which may include a placebo or another control) to evaluate the effects of the interventions on biomedical or behavioral health-related outcomes.

Use of DOD or Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Resources: If the proposed research involves access to active-duty military patient populations and/or DOD or VA resources or databases, the application must describe the access at the time of submission and include a plan for maintaining access as needed throughout the proposed research. Refer to <u>Section II.D.2.b.ii,</u> <u>Full Application Submission Components</u>, for detailed information. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 1, for additional information.

Research Involving Animals: All research funded by the FY22 PCRP Translational Research Award involving new and ongoing research with animals must be reviewed and approved by the USAMRDC ORP Animal Care and Use Review Office (ACURO), in addition to the local Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) of record. IACUC approval at the time of submission is *not* required. *Allow at least 3 to 4 months for ACURO regulatory review and approval processes for animal studies.* Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 1, for additional information.

All projects should adhere to a core set of standards for rigorous study design and reporting to maximize the reproducibility and translational potential of preclinical research. The standards are described in Landis, S.C., et al. A call for transparent reporting to optimize the predictive value of preclinical research, *Nature* 2012, 490:187-191 (www.nature.com/nature/journal/v490/n7419/full/nature11556.html). While these standards are

(www.nature.com/nature/journal/v490/n7419/full/nature11556.html). While these standards are written for preclinical studies, the basic principles of randomization, blinding, sample-size estimation, and data handling derive from well-established best practices in clinical studies. Applicants should consult the ARRIVE 2.0 (Animal Research: Reporting *In Vivo* Experiments) guidelines to ensure relevant aspects of rigorous animal research are adequately planned for and, ultimately, reported. The ARRIVE 2.0 guidelines can be found at https://arriveguidelines.org/arrive-guidelines.

II.C. Eligibility Information

II.C.1. Eligible Applicants

II.C.1.a. Organization: All organizations, including foreign organizations, foreign public entities, and international organizations, are eligible to apply.

Government Agencies Within the United States: Local, state, and federal government agencies are eligible to the extent that applications do not overlap with their fully funded internal programs. Such agencies are required to explain how their applications do not overlap with their internal programs.

As applications for this program announcement may be submitted by extramural and intramural organizations, these terms are defined below.

Extramural Organization: An eligible non-DOD organization. Examples of extramural organizations include academic institutions, biotechnology companies, foundations, federal government organizations other than the DOD, and research institutes.

Intramural DOD Organization: A DOD laboratory, DOD military treatment facility, and/or DOD activity embedded within a civilian medical center. *Intramural Submission:* An *application submitted by a DOD organization for an intramural investigator working within a DOD laboratory or military treatment facility or in a DOD activity embedded within a civilian medical center.*

The USAMRAA makes awards to eligible organizations, not to individuals.

II.C.1.b. Principal Investigator

Each investigator may be named on only one FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award application as a PI, Initiating PI, or Partnering PI.

Independent investigators at all levels are eligible to be named as PI, Initiating PI, or Partnering PI on an application for the FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award.

An eligible PI, regardless of ethnicity, nationality, or citizenship status, must be employed by or affiliated with an eligible organization.

The CDMRP strongly encourages all PIs to participate in a digital identifier initiative through Open Researcher and Contributor ID, Inc. (ORCID). Registration for a unique ORCID identifier can be done online at <u>https://orcid.org/</u>.

II.C.2. Cost Sharing

Cost sharing/matching is not an eligibility requirement.

II.C.3. Other

Organizations must be able to access **.gov** and **.mil** websites in order to fulfill the financial and technical deliverable requirements of the award and submit invoices for payment.

For general information on required qualifications for award recipients, refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 3.

Refer to <u>Section II.H.2</u>, <u>Administrative Actions</u>, for a list of administrative actions that may be taken if a pre-application or application does not meet the administrative, eligibility, or ethical requirements defined in this program announcement.

II.D. Application and Submission Information

Submission of applications that are essentially identical or propose essentially the same research project to different funding opportunities within the same program and fiscal year is prohibited and will result in administrative withdrawal of the duplicative application(s).

II.D.1. eBRAP and Grants.gov

eBRAP (<u>https://ebrap.org</u>) is a secure web-based system that allows PIs to submit their preapplications, view and verify extramural full applications submitted to Grants.gov (<u>https://grants.gov</u>), receive communications from the CDMRP, and submit documentation during award negotiations and throughout the period of performance. eBRAP also allows intramural organizations to submit full applications following pre-application submission.

Grants.gov is a federal system required to be utilized by agencies to receive and process extramural grant applications. Full applications may only be submitted to Grants.gov after submission of a pre-application through eBRAP.

Contact information for the eBRAP Help Desk and the Grants.gov Contact Center can be found in <u>Section II.G</u>, Federal Awarding Agency Contacts.

Extramural Submission:

- Pre-application content and forms must be accessed and submitted at eBRAP.org.
- Full application packages must be accessed and submitted at Grants.gov.

Intramural DOD Submission:

- Pre-application content and forms must be accessed and submitted at eBRAP.org.
- Full application packages must be accessed and submitted at eBRAP.org.

Note: Applications from an intramural DOD organization or from an extramural federal government organization may be submitted to Grants.gov through a research foundation.

II.D.2. Content and Form of the Application Submission

Submission is a two-step process requiring both *pre-application* (eBRAP.org) and *full application* (eBRAP.org or Grants.gov) as indicated below. The submission process should be started early to avoid missing deadlines. There are no grace periods. Full application submission guidelines differ for extramural (Grants.gov) and intramural (eBRAP.org) organizations (refer to <u>Table 1, Full Application Guidelines</u>).

The application title, eBRAP log number, and all information for the PI(s), Business Official(s), performing organization, and contracting organization must be consistent throughout the entire pre-application and full application submission process. Inconsistencies may delay application processing and limit or negate the ability to view, modify, and verify the application in eBRAP. If any changes need to be made, the applicant should contact the eBRAP Help Desk at help@eBRAP.org or 301-682-5507 prior to the application submission deadline.

Partnering PI Option: The Initiating PI must complete the pre-application submission process and submit the contact information for the Partnering PI. The Partnering PI will then be notified of the pre-application submission separately by email. *The Partnering PI must follow the link in the notification email in order to associate their full application package with that of the Initiating PI. After following the link, the Partnering PI must verify their contact information, organization, and designation as an extramural or intramural submission within eBRAP.* If not previously registered, the Partnering PI must register in eBRAP. A new preapplication based on this research project should not be initiated by the Partnering P. Applicants are urged to complete these steps as soon as possible. If they are not completed, the Partnering PI will not be able to view and modify their application during the verification period in eBRAP. If these steps are not completed, an intramural partner will not be able to submit the Partnering PI's required full application package components to eBRAP.

II.D.2.a. Step 1: Pre-Application Submission Content

During the pre-application process, eBRAP assigns each submission a unique log number. This unique eBRAP log number is required during the full application submission process.

To begin the pre-application process, first select whether the submitting organization is extramural or intramural, then confirm your selection or cancel. **Incorrect selection of extramural or intramural submission type will delay processing.**

If an error has been made in the selection of extramural versus intramural and the pre-application submission deadline has passed, the PI or Business Official must contact the eBRAP Help Desk at <u>help@eBRAP.org</u> or 301-682-5507 to request a change in designation.

All pre-application components must be submitted by the Initiating PI through eBRAP (<u>https://eBRAP.org/</u>).

The applicant organization and associated PI(s) identified in the pre-application should be the same as those intended for the subsequent application submission. If any changes are necessary after submission of the pre-application, the applicant must contact the eBRAP Help Desk at help@eBRAP.org or 301-682-5507.

PIs with an ORCID identifier should enter that information in the appropriate field in the "My Profile" tab in the "Account Information" section of eBRAP.

The pre-application consists of the following components, which are organized in eBRAP by separate tabs (refer to the General Application Instructions, Section II.B, for additional information on pre-application submission):

• Tab 1 – Application Information

Submission of application information includes assignment of primary and secondary research classification codes, which may be found at <u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/</u><u>Program.htm</u>. Applicants are strongly encouraged to review and confirm the codes prior to making their selection.

• Tab 2 – Application Contacts

Enter contact information for the PI. Enter the organization's Business Official responsible for sponsored program administration (the "person to be contacted on matters involving this application" in Block 5 of the Grants.gov SF424 Research & Related Form). The Business Official must be either selected from the eBRAP list or invited in order for the pre-application to be submitted.

Select the performing organization (site at which the PI will perform the proposed work) and the contracting organization (organization submitting on behalf of the PI, which corresponds to Block 5 on the Grants.gov SF424 Research & Related Form), and click on "Add Organizations to this Pre-application." The organization(s) must be either selected from the eBRAP drop-down list or invited in order for the pre-application to be submitted.

It is recommended that applicants identify an Alternate Submitter in the event that assistance with pre-application submission is needed.

• Tab 3 – Collaborators and Key Personnel

Enter the name, organization, and role of all collaborators and key personnel associated with the application.

<u>FY22 PCRP Programmatic Panel members</u> should not be involved in any pre-application or application. For questions related to panel members and pre-applications or applications, refer to <u>Section II.H.2.c</u>, <u>Withdrawal</u>, or contact the eBRAP Help Desk at <u>help@eBRAP.org</u> or 301-682-5507.

Partnering PI Option: The Initiating PI must enter the contact information for each Partnering PI in the Partnering PI section.

• Tab 4 – Conflicts of Interest

List all individuals other than collaborators and key personnel who may have a conflict of interest in the review of the application (including those with whom the PI(s) has/have a personal or professional relationship).

• Tab 5 – Pre-Application Files

Letter of Intent (LOI) (one-page limit): Provide a brief description of the research to be conducted. LOIs are used for program planning purposes only (e.g., reviewer recruitment) and will not be reviewed during either the peer or programmatic review sessions. An invitation to submit is *not* required.

• Tab 6 – Submit Pre-Application

This tab must be completed for the pre-application to be accepted and processed.

II.D.2.b. Step 2: Full Application Submission Content

The CDMRP cannot make allowances/exceptions to its policies for submission problems encountered by the applicant organization using system-to-system interfaces with Grants.gov.

Each application submission must include the completed full application package for this program announcement. The full application package is submitted by the Authorized Organizational Representative through Grants.gov (<u>https://grants.gov/</u>) for extramural organizations or through eBRAP (<u>https://ebrap.org/</u>) for intramural organizations. See Table 1 below for more specific guidelines.

II.D.2.b.i. Full Application Guidelines

Extramural organizations must submit full applications through Grants.gov. Applicants must create a Grants.gov Workspace for submission, which allows the application components to be

completed online and routed through the applicant organization for review prior to submission. Applicants may choose to download and save individual PDF forms rather than filling out webforms in Workspace. A compatible version of Adobe Reader **must** be used to view, complete, and submit an application package consisting of PDF forms. If more than one person is entering text into an application package, the *same version* of Adobe Reader software should be used by each person. Check the version number of the Adobe software on each user's computer to make sure the versions match. Using different versions of Adobe Reader may cause submission and/or save errors – even if each version is individually compatible with Grants.gov. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III, and the "Apply For Grants" page of Grants.gov (<u>https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/apply-for-grants.html</u>) for further information about the Grants.gov Workspace submission process. Submissions of extramural applications through eBRAP may be withdrawn.

Do not password protect any files of the application package, including the Project Narrative.

Extramural Submissions	Intramural DOD Submissions	
Application Package Location		
Download application package components for W81XWH-22-PCRP-TSA from Grants.gov (<u>https://grants.gov</u>) and create a Grants.gov Workspace. Workspace allows online completion of the application components and routing of the application package through the applicant organization for review prior to submission.	Download application package components for W81XWH-22-PCRP-TSA from eBRAP (<u>https://ebrap.org</u>).	
Full Application Pa	ckage Components	
SF424 Research & Related Application for Federal Assistance Form: Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.1, for detailed information.	 Tab 1 – Summary: Provide a summary of the application information. Tab 2 – Application Contacts: This tab will be pre-populated by eBRAP; add Authorized Organizational Representative. 	
 Descriptions of each required file can be found under Full Application Submission Components: <u>Attachments</u> <u>Research & Related Personal Data</u> <u>Research & Related Senior/Key Person</u> <u>Profile (Expanded)</u> <u>Research & Related Budget</u> <u>Project/Performance Site Location(s) Form</u> <u>Research & Related Subaward Budget</u> <u>Attachment(s) Form</u> 	 Tab 3 – Full Application Files: Upload files under each Application Component in eBRAP. Descriptions of each required file can be found under Full Application Submission Components: <u>Attachments</u> <u>Key Personnel</u> <u>Budget</u> <u>Performance Sites</u> Tab 4 – Application and Budget Data: Review and edit proposed project start date, proposed end date, and budget data pre-populated from the Budget Form. 	

Table 1. Full Application Submission Guidelines

Extramural Submissions	Intramural DOD Submissions	
Application Package Submission		
Create a Grants.gov Workspace. Add participants (investigators and Business Officials) to Workspace, complete all required forms, and check for errors before submission. Submit a Grants.gov Workspace Package. An application may be submitted through Workspace by clicking the "Sign and Submit" button on the "Manage Workspace" page, under the "Forms" tab. Grants.gov recommends submission of the application package at least 24-48 hours prior to the close date to allow time to correct any potential technical issues that may disrupt the application submission.	Submit package components to eBRAP (https://ebrap.org). Tab 5 – Submit/Request Approval Full Application: After all components are uploaded and prior to the full application submission deadline, enter your password in the space provided next to "Enter Your Password Here" and press the "Submit Full Application" button. eBRAP will notify your Resource Manager/ Comptroller/Task Area Manager or equivalent Business Official(s) by email. <i>Do not password</i> <i>protect any files of the application package,</i> <i>including the Project Narrative.</i>	
<i>Note:</i> If either the Project Narrative or the budget fails eBRAP validation or needs to be modified, an updated Grants.gov application package must be submitted via Grants.gov as a "Changed/Corrected Application" with the previous Grants.gov Tracking ID <i>prior to</i> the application submission deadline. <i>Do not</i> <i>password protect any files of the application</i> <i>package, including the Project Narrative.</i>		
Application Ver	ification Period	
The full application package submitted to Grants.gov may be viewed and modified in eBRAP until the end of the application verification period. During the application verification period, the full application package may be modified <i>with the exception of the</i> <i>Project Narrative and Research & Related</i> <i>Budget Form</i> .	After eBRAP has processed the full application, the organizational Resource Manager/ Comptroller/Task Area Manager or equivalent Business Official(s) and PI(s) will receive email notification of this status and will be able to view and modify application components in eBRAP. During the application verification period, the full application package may be modified <i>with</i> <i>the exception of the Project Narrative and</i> <i>Research & Related Budget Form</i> . Your Resource Manager/Comptroller/Task Area Manager or equivalent Business Official(s) should log into eBRAP to review and to approve prior to the application verification deadline.	

Extramural Submissions	Intramural DOD Submissions	
Further Information		
Tracking a Grants.gov Workspace Package. After successfully submitting a Workspace package, a Grants.gov Tracking Number is automatically assigned to the package. The number will be listed on the "Confirmation" page that is generated after submission.	Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV, for further information regarding eBRAP requirements.	
Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III, for further information regarding Grants.gov requirements.		

Partnering PI Option: The CDMRP requires separate full application package submissions for the Initiating PI and each Partnering PI, even if the PIs are located within the same organization. Initiating and Partnering PIs will each be assigned a unique eBRAP log number. Each full application package must be submitted using the unique eBRAP log number. *Note: All associated applications (Initiating PI's and the Partnering PI's) must be submitted by the full application submission deadline.*

The full application package must be submitted using the unique eBRAP log number to avoid delays in application processing.

II.D.2.b.ii. Full Application Submission Components

• Extramural Applications Only

SF424 Research & Related Application for Federal Assistance Form: Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.1, for detailed information.

• Extramural and Intramural Applications

Attachments:

Each attachment to the full application components must be uploaded as an individual file in the format specified and in accordance with the formatting guidelines listed in the General Application Instructions, Appendix 4.

For all attachments, ensure that the file names are consistent with the guidance. Attachments will be rejected if the file names are longer than 50 characters or have incorrect file names that contain characters other than the following: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, underscore, hyphen, space, and period. In addition, there are file size limits that may apply in some circumstances. Individual attachments may not exceed 20 megabytes (MB), and the file size for the entire full application package may not exceed 200 MB.

• Attachment 1: Project Narrative (15-page limit): Upload as

"ProjectNarrative.pdf". The page limit of the Project Narrative applies to text and nontext elements (e.g., figures, tables, graphs, photographs, diagrams, chemical structures, drawings) used to describe the project. Inclusion of URLs (uniform resource locators) that provide additional information to expand the Project Narrative and could confer an unfair competitive advantage is prohibited and may result in administrative withdrawal of the application.

Describe the proposed project in detail using the outline below.

- Background: Present the ideas and reasoning behind the proposed research and the <u>FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenge</u> that will be addressed. The application must provide a sound scientific rationale to support the proposed project and its feasibility as established through the demonstration of logical reasoning and a critical review and analysis of published literature; include relevant literature citations. *Include preliminary data to support the scientific rationale and feasibility of the research approaches.* Applications are strongly encouraged to also include preliminary data to support the clinical relevance of the idea. Any unpublished, preliminary data provided should originate from the laboratory of the PI(s) or a member(s) of the research team.
- **Hypothesis or Objective:** State the hypothesis to be tested or the objective to be reached.
- **Specific Aims:** Concisely explain the project's specific aims to be funded by this application. The specific aims should be aligned with the specific aims/tasks outlined in the SOW.
- Research Strategy and Feasibility:
 - Describe the experimental design, methods, and analyses, including appropriate sample-size estimation and controls, in sufficient detail for analysis. Include information describing the availability of required resources, if applicable.
 - Address potential problem areas and present alternative methods and approaches.
 - Clearly describe the statistical plan and the rationale for the statistical methodology. Include sample size projections and an appropriate power analysis, if applicable. Describe the biostatistical expertise that will be available to support the analysis(es). If animal studies are proposed, describe how they will be conducted in accordance with the ARRIVE 2.0 guidelines
 (<u>https://arriveguidelines.org/arrive-guidelines</u>) by describing the controls, sample size estimation, blinding, randomization, and data handling included to achieve reproducible and rigorous results.
 - If human subjects or human biological samples will be used, include a detailed plan for the recruitment of subjects or the acquisition of samples. Describe the clinical expertise available to support the project, if applicable. Provide

information to support the availability of and access to the appropriate resources, patient population(s), and/or samples. For clinical research, see <u>Attachment 9</u> for the required strategy for the inclusion of women and minorities appropriate to the objectives of the study. *This award does not support clinical trials.*

- If applicable, describe how data will be reported and how it will be assured that the documentation will support a regulatory filing with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
- Attachment 2: Supporting Documentation: Combine and upload as a single file named "Support.pdf". Start each document on a new page. If documents are scanned to PDF, the lowest resolution (100 to 150 dpi) should be used. The Supporting Documentation attachment should not include additional information such as figures, tables, graphs, photographs, diagrams, chemical structures, or drawings. These items should be included in the Project Narrative.

There are no page limits for any of these components unless otherwise noted. Include only those components described below; inclusion of items not requested or viewed as an extension of the Project Narrative will result in the removal of those items or may result in administrative withdrawal of the application.

- References Cited: List the references cited (including URLs, if available) in the Project Narrative using a standard reference format that includes the full citation (i.e., author[s], year published, title of reference, source of reference, volume, chapter, page numbers, and publisher, as appropriate).
- List of Abbreviations, Acronyms, and Symbols: Provide a list of abbreviations, acronyms, and symbols.
- Facilities, Existing Equipment, and Other Resources: Describe the facilities and equipment available for performance of the proposed project and any additional facilities or equipment proposed for acquisition at no cost to the award. Indicate whether or not government-furnished facilities or equipment are proposed for use. If so, reference should be made to the original or present government award under which the facilities or equipment items are now accountable. There is no form for this information.
- Publications and/or Patents: Include a list of relevant publication URLs and/or patent abstracts. If articles are not publicly available, then copies of up to five published manuscripts may be included in Attachment 2. Extra items will not be reviewed.
- Letters of Organizational Support: Provide a letter (or letters, if applicable) signed by the Department Chair or appropriate organization official, confirming the laboratory space, equipment, and other resources available for the project. Letters of support not requested in the program announcement, such as those from members of Congress, do not impact application review or funding decisions.

- Letters of Collaboration: Provide a signed letter from each collaborating individual or organization that demonstrates that the PI has the support or resources necessary for the proposed work. If an investigator at an intramural organization is named as a collaborator on an application submitted through an extramural organization, the application must include a letter from the collaborator's Commander or Commanding Officer at the intramural organization that authorizes the collaborator's involvement.
- Letters of Support (if applicable): Provide a signed letter from any organizations providing resources or biospecimens for the proposed study that will demonstrate that the PI has the support and access to resources necessary for the proposed work.
- Intellectual Property: Information can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 2, Part 200.315 (2 CFR 200.315), "Intangible Property."
 - Intellectual and Material Property Plan (if applicable): Provide a plan for resolving intellectual and material property issues among participating organizations.
- **Data and Research Resources Sharing Plan:** Describe how data and resources generated during the performance of the project will be shared with the research community. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 2, Section K, for more information about the CDMRP expectations for making data and research resources publicly available.
- Use of DOD Resources (if applicable): Provide a letter of support signed by the lowest-ranking person with approval authority confirming access to active-duty military populations and/or DOD resources or databases.
- Use of VA Resources (if applicable): Provide a letter of support from the VA Facility Director(s) or individual designated by the VA Facility Director(s), such as the Associate Chief of Staff for Research and Development (ACOS/R&D) or Clinical Service Chief, confirming access to VA patients, resources, and/or VA research space. For VA PIs, if the VA non-profit corporation is not identified as the applicant institution for administering the funds, include a letter from the VA ACOS/R&D confirming this arrangement and identifying the institution that will administer the funds associated with the proposed research.
- Attachment 3: Technical Abstract (one-page limit): Upload as "TechAbs.pdf". The technical abstract is used by all reviewers. Abstracts of all funded research projects will be posted publicly. *Do not include proprietary or confidential information*. Use only characters available on a standard QWERTY keyboard. Spell out all Greek letters, other non-English letters, and symbols. Graphics are not allowed.

Programmatic reviewers typically do not have access to the full application and rely on the technical abstract for appropriate description of the project's key aspects. Therefore, clarity and completeness within the space limits of the technical abstract are highly important. Describe the proposed research project including the following elements:

- Background: Present the ideas and reasoning behind the proposed project.
- Hypothesis/Objective: State the hypothesis to be tested or the objective to be reached. Provide evidence or rationale that supports the objective/hypothesis.
- Specific Aims: State the specific aims of the study.
- Study Design: Briefly describe the study design, including appropriate controls.
- Impact: Summarize the potential short-term and long-term impact of the proposed research. Include how the anticipated outcomes will provide a foundation for future research projects that will enable progress towards a solution to one or more of the <u>FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenges</u> and ultimately will provide progress toward the elimination of death from prostate cancer and enhance the well-being of Service Members, Veterans, and all the men and their families who are experiencing the impact of the disease.
- Attachment 4: Lay Abstract (one-page limit): Upload as "LayAbs.pdf". The lay abstract is used by all reviewers. Abstracts of all funded research projects will be posted publicly. *Do not include proprietary or confidential information*. *Do not duplicate the technical abstract*. Use only characters available on a standard QWERTY keyboard. Spell out all Greek letters, other non-English letters, and symbols. Graphics are not allowed.

The lay abstract should be written using the outline below. *Do not duplicate the technical abstract.* Minimize use of acronyms and abbreviations, where appropriate. The lay abstract is an important component of the application review process because it addresses issues of particular interest to the consumer advocate community.

- Clearly describe, in a manner readily *understood by readers without a background in science or medicine*, the rationale, objective, and aims of the application.
- Describe the ultimate applicability of the research.
 - What are the likely contributions of this study to the <u>FY22 PCRP Overarching</u> <u>Challenges</u>?
 - What types of patients will it help and how will it help them?
 - What are the potential clinical applications, benefits, and risks?
 - What is the projected time it may take to achieve a patient-related outcome?
 - If the research is too basic for clinical applicability, describe the interim outcomes.

Attachment 5: Statement of Work (three-page limit): Upload as "SOW.pdf". The suggested SOW format and examples specific to different types of research projects are available on the eBRAP "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>). Recommended strategies for assembling the SOW can be found at <u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>.

For the FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award mechanism, refer to the "*Suggested SOW Strategy Generic Research*" document for guidance on preparing the SOW and use the blank SOW format titled "Suggested SOW Format". The SOW must be in PDF format prior to attaching.

Partnering PI Option: Each PI must submit an identical copy of a jointly created SOW. The contributions of the Initiating PI and the Partnering PI should be noted for each task.

• Attachment 6: Impact Statement (one-page limit): Upload as "Impact.pdf".

Explain in detail why the proposed research project is important, as follows:

- Describe the short-term impact: Detail the anticipated outcome(s)/product(s) that will be directly attributed to the results of the proposed research, including any clinically relevant results. Summarize how the anticipated outcome(s)/product(s) will provide a foundation for future research projects that will enable progress towards a solution to one or more of the FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenges.
- Describe the long-term impact: Explain the anticipated long-term gains from the proposed research. Describe how the anticipated long-term gains would make an impact on prostate cancer patient care, and ultimately contribute to the goal of eliminating death from prostate cancer and enhancing the well-being of Service Members, Veterans, and all the men and their families who are experiencing the impact of the disease.
- Attachment 7: Partnership Statement (one-page limit): Upload as "Partnership.pdf". (Attachment 7 is only applicable and required for applications submitted under the Partnering PI Option.) Describe the expertise of the Initiating and Partnering PIs. Describe the contribution and the time commitment of each PI toward the proposed research project. Describe how the partners' combined expertise will better address the research question and explain why the work should be done together rather than through separate efforts.
- Attachment 8: Transition Plan (two-page limit): Upload as "Transition.pdf". Provide information on potential methods and strategies to feasibly move the project's findings to the next phase of development, clinical trials, and/or delivery to the commercial market after successful completion of the award. The transition plan should include the components listed below.
 - A description of the scientific or technical requirements needed to advance the research findings.

- An assessment of the opportunities available and potential barriers that would impact the progress of commercializing and/or translating the study results into clinical practice.
- A timeline with defined milestones and deliverables describing the expected postaward progress of the results toward the next phase of development and eventual clinical impact.
- Details of the funding strategy that will be used to bring the outcomes to the next phase of development. Provide sufficient evidence that the PI has, or can secure, additional funding, and describe potential options to secure the additional funding needed to bring the outcomes to the next phase of development (e.g., specific potential industry partners; specific funding opportunities to apply for).
- A description of collaborations and other resources that will be used to provide continuity of development.
- A plan to distribute the findings or intervention to the prostate cancer community.
- Attachment 9: Inclusion of Women and Minorities (four-page limit): Upload as "Inclusion.pdf". (Attachment 9 is only applicable and required for applications that propose clinical research.) Describe the strategy for the inclusion of women and minorities appropriate to the objectives of the study, including a description of the composition of the proposed study population in terms of sex/gender, racial, and ethnic group and an accompanying rationale for the selection of subjects. Provide an anticipated enrollment table(s) for the inclusion of women and minorities appropriate to the objectives of the study with the proposed enrollment distributed on the basis of sex/gender, race, and ethnicity. The Public Health Service (PHS) Inclusion Enrollment Report format is a three-page fillable PDF form, which can be downloaded from eBRAP at https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm.
- Attachment 10: Representations, if applicable (extramural submissions only): Upload as "RequiredReps.pdf". All extramural applicants must complete and submit the Required Representations template available on eBRAP (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/ public/Program.htm</u>). For more information, see the General Application Instructions, Appendix 5, Section B, Representations.
- Attachment 11: Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format, if applicable: Upload as "MFBudget.pdf". If a military facility (Military Health System facility, research laboratory, medical treatment facility, dental treatment facility, or DOD activity embedded with a civilian medical center) will be a collaborator in performance of the project, complete a separate budget, using "Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format", available for download on the eBRAP "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>), including a budget justification, for each military facility as instructed. The costs per year should be included on the Grants.gov Research & Related Budget Form under subaward costs. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.8, for detailed information.

• Extramural and Intramural Applications

To evaluate compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 USC 1681[a] et seq.), the DOD is collecting certain demographic and career information to be able to assess the success rates of women who are proposed for key roles in applications in science, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics (STEM) disciplines. To enable this assessment, each application must include the following forms completed as indicated.

Research & Related Personal Data: For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.3, and for intramural submissions (via eBRAP), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.2, for detailed information.

Research & Related Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded): For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.4, and for intramural submissions (via eBRAP), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.3, for detailed information.

- PI Biographical Sketch (five-page limit): Upload as "Biosketch_LastName.pdf". The suggested biographical sketch format is available on the "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>) in eBRAP. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Biographical Sketch may also be used. All biographical sketches should be submitted in uneditable PDF format.
- PI Previous/Current/Pending Support (no page limit): Upload as "Support_LastName.pdf".
 - For extramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.4, for detailed information.
 - For intramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.3, for detailed information.
- Key Personnel Biographical Sketches (five-page limit each): Upload as "Biosketch_LastName.pdf".
- Key Personnel Previous/Current/Pending Support (no page limit): Upload as "Support_LastName.pdf".
 - For extramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.4, for detailed information.
 - For intramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.3, for detailed information.

Research & Related Budget: For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.5, and for intramural submissions (via

eBRAP), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.4, for detailed information.

Budget Justification (no page limit): Upload as "BudgetJustification.pdf". The budget justification for the entire period of performance must be uploaded to the Research & Related Budget after completion of the budget for Period 1.

Partnering PI Option: Initiating and Partnering PIs must have a separate budget and justification specific to their distinct portions of the effort that the applicant organization will submit as separate Grants.gov or eBRAP application packages. The Initiating PI should not include budget information for Partnering PI(s) even if they are located within the same organization. Refer to Section II.D.5, Funding Restrictions, for detailed information.

Project/Performance Site Location(s) Form: For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.6, and for intramural submissions (via eBRAP), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.5, for detailed information.

• Extramural Applications Only

Research & Related Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form (if applicable): Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.7, for detailed information.

- **Extramural Subaward:** Complete the Research & Related Subaward Budget Form through Grants.gov. (Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.7, for detailed information.) Verify subaward budget(s) and budget justification forms are present in eBRAP during the application verification period. If these components are missing, upload them to eBRAP before the end of the application verification period.
- Intramural DOD Collaborator(s): Complete the "Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format" and upload to Grants.gov attachment form as <u>Attachment 11</u>. (Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.4, for detailed information.) Each Intramural DOD Collaborator should include costs per year on the Grants.gov Research & Related Budget Form under subaward costs.

Suggested DOD Military Budget Format: A military facility collaborating in the performance of the project (but not participating as a Partnering PI) should be treated as a subaward for budget purposes. *Note:* Applicants should complete a separate military budget using "Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format" (available for download on the eBRAP "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page [https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm]) (Attachment 11) to show all direct and indirect costs. The costs per year should be included on the Grants.gov Research & Related Budget Form under subaward costs. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.8, for detailed information.

Partnering PI Option: Application Components for the Partnering PI

The Partnering PI must follow the link in the email from eBRAP and, if not registered in eBRAP, complete the registration process prior to the application submission deadline in order to associate their full application package with that of the Initiating PI.

For the Partnering PI, the Initiating PI must identify if the Partnering PI will be named on an extramural or intramural application (in accordance with the guidelines in <u>Section II.C.1.a.</u>, <u>Organization</u>) and the appropriate mode of submission (Grants.gov for extramural and eBRAP for intramural). The Partnering PI must verify their contact information and mode of submission within eBRAP to ensure proper submission of their application.

The application submission process for the Partnering PI uses an abbreviated full application package that includes:

• Extramural and Intramural Applications

Attachments:

- Attachment 5: Statement of Work (three-page limit): Upload as "SOW.pdf". Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.2, for detailed information on completing the SOW. Each PI must submit an identical copy of a jointly created SOW. The contributions of the Initiating PI and the Partnering PI should be noted for each task.
- Attachment 10: Representations (extramural submissions only): Upload as "RequiredReps.pdf". All extramural applicants must complete and submit the Required Representations template available on eBRAP (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/</u> <u>public/Program.htm</u>). For more information, see the General Application Instructions, Appendix 5, Section B, Representations.
- Attachment 11: Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format: Upload as "MFBudget.pdf". Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.4, for detailed information. The costs per year should be included on the Grants.gov Research & Related Budget Form under subaward costs.

Research & Related Personal Data: For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov) refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.3, and for intramural submissions (via eBRAP), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.2, for detailed information.

Research & Related Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded): For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.4, and for intramural submissions (via eBRAP), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.3, for detailed information.

PI Biographical Sketch (five-page limit): Upload as "Biosketch_LastName.pdf". The suggested biographical sketch format is available on the "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>) in eBRAP. The NIH

Biographical Sketch may also be used. All biographical sketches should be submitted in the PDF format that is not editable.

- PI Previous/Current/Pending Support (no page limit): Upload as "Support_LastName.pdf".
 - For extramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.4, for detailed information.
 - For intramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.3, for detailed information.
- Key Personnel Biographical Sketches (five-page limit each): Upload as "Biosketch_LastName.pdf".
- Key Personnel Previous/Current/Pending Support (no page limit): Upload as "Support_LastName.pdf".
 - For extramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.4, for detailed information.
 - For intramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.3, for detailed information.

Research & Related Budget: For extramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.5, and for intramural submissions, refer to the General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.4, for detailed information.

Budget Justification (no page limit): Upload as "BudgetJustification.pdf".

Initiating and Partnering PIs must each submit a budget and justification specific to their own portion of the efforts as part of their separate Grants.gov or eBRAP application packages. The Research & Related Budget for the Partnering PI should not include budget information for the Initiating PI, even if they are located within the same organization. Refer to <u>Section II.D.5, Funding Restrictions</u>, for detailed information.

Project/Performance Site Location(s) Form: For extramural submissions (via Grants.gov), refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.6, and for intramural submissions (via eBRAP), refer to General Application Instructions, Section IV.A.5, for detailed information.

• Extramural Applications Only

Research & Related Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form:

- **Extramural Subaward:** Complete the Research & Related Subaward Budget Form through Grants.gov. (Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.7, for detailed information.)
- Intramural DOD Collaborator(s): Complete a separate DOD military budget, using Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format (available for download on the eBRAP "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page [<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/</u><u>public/Program.htm</u>]), and upload to Grants.gov attachment form as <u>Attachment 11</u>. (Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.8, for detailed information.)

II.D.3. Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and System for Award Management (SAM)

The applicant organization must be registered as an entity in SAM (https://www.sam.gov/SAM/) and receive confirmation of an "Active" status before submitting an application through Grants.gov. As published in the Federal Register, July 10, 2019, (https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/07/10/2019-14665/unique-entity-id-standardfor-awards-management), the UEI for awards management generated through SAM will be used instead of the Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number as of April 2022. All federal awards including, but not limited to, contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements will use the UEI. USAMRDC will transition to use of the UEI beginning with FY22 announcements and utilize the latest SF424, which includes the UEI. The DUNS will no longer be accepted. Applicant organizations will not go to a third-party website to obtain an identifier. During the transition, your SAM registration will automatically be assigned a new UEI displayed in SAM. (For more information, visit the General Services Administration: https://www.gsa.gov/aboutus/organization/federal-acquisition-service/office-of-systems-management/integrated-awardenvironment-iae/iae-information-kit/unique-entity-identifier-update.) Current SAM.gov registrants are assigned their UEI and can view it within SAM.gov. Authorized Organizational Representatives with existing eBRAP accounts should update their organizational profile to include the UEI prior to submission of the full application to Grant.gov (see Section II.D.4, Submission Dates and Times below). Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III, for further information regarding Grants.gov requirements.

II.D.4. Submission Dates and Times

All submission dates and times are indicated in <u>Section I, Overview of the Funding Opportunity</u>. Pre-application and application submissions are required. The pre-application and application submission process should be started early to avoid missing deadlines. There are no grace periods. Failure to meet either of these deadlines will result in submission rejection.

Applicant Verification of Full Application Submission in eBRAP

For Both Extramural and Intramural Applicants: eBRAP allows an organization's representatives and PIs to view and modify the full application submissions associated with them. Following retrieval and processing of the full application, eBRAP will notify the

organizational representatives and PI by email to log into eBRAP to review, modify, and verify the full application submission. eBRAP will validate full application files against the specific program announcement requirements, and discrepancies will be noted in an email to the PI and in the "Full Application Files" tab in eBRAP. eBRAP does not confirm the accuracy of file content. Application viewing, modification, and verification in eBRAP are strongly recommended, but not required. It is the applicant's responsibility to review all application components and ensure proper ordering as specified in the program announcement. *If either the Project Narrative or the budget fails eBRAP validation or needs to be modified, an updated full application package must be submitted prior to the application submission deadline. The Project Narrative and Research & Related Budget Form cannot be changed after the application submission deadline.* Other application components may be changed until the end of the application period. Verify that subaward budget(s) and budget justification forms are present in eBRAP during the application verification period. If these components are missing, upload them to eBRAP before the end of the application verification period. After the end of the application verification period, the full application cannot be modified.

Extramural Submission: The full application package submitted to Grants.gov may be viewed and modified in eBRAP until the end of the application verification period. During the application verification period, the full application package, *with the exception of the Project Narrative and Budget Form*, may be modified.

Intramural DOD Submission: After eBRAP has processed the full application, the organizational Resource Manager/Comptroller/Task Area Manager or equivalent Business Official(s) and PI(s) will receive email notification of the status and will be able to view and modify application components in eBRAP. During the application verification period, the full application package, *with the exception of the Project Narrative and Budget Form*, may be modified. The Resource Manager/Comptroller/Task Area Manager or equivalent Business Official(s) should log into eBRAP to review and to approve the application package prior to the application verification deadline.

For All Submissions: Verify that subaward budget(s) with budget justification are present in eBRAP during the application verification period. If these components are missing, upload them to eBRAP before the end of the application verification period.

II.D.5. Funding Restrictions

The maximum period of performance is **3** years.

Single PI: The anticipated direct costs budgeted for the entire period of performance will not exceed **\$900,000**. If indirect cost rates have been negotiated, indirect costs are to be budgeted in accordance with the organization's negotiated rate. No budget will be approved by the government exceeding **\$900,000** direct costs or using an indirect cost rate exceeding the organization's negotiated rate.

Partnering PI Option: The anticipated combined direct costs budgeted for the entire period of performance for the Initiating PI's and the Partnering PI's applications will not exceed **\$900,000**. If indirect cost rates have been negotiated, indirect costs are to be budgeted in accordance with

the organization's negotiated rate. Collaborating organizations should budget associated indirect costs in accordance with each organization's negotiated rate. The combined budgeted direct costs approved by the government will not exceed **\$900,000** or use an indirect cost rate exceeding each organization's negotiated rate. The PIs are expected to be partners in the research, and direct cost funding should be divided accordingly, unless otherwise warranted and clearly justified.

All direct and indirect costs of any subaward or contract must be included in the total direct costs of the primary award.

The applicant may request the entire maximum funding amount for a project that may have a period of performance less than the maximum 3 years.

For this award mechanism, direct may be requested for (not all-inclusive):

- Costs for one investigator to travel to one scientific/technical meeting per year. The intent of travel costs to scientific/technical meetings is to present project information or disseminate project results of the FY22 PCRP Translational Science Award
- Research-related subject costs
- Clinical research costs
- Supports for multidisciplinary collaborations, including travel

Must not be requested for:

• Clinical trial costs

For extramural awards with an intragovernmental component, direct transfer of funds from an extramural award recipient to a DOD or other federal agency is not allowed except under very limited circumstances. Funding to intramural DOD and other federal agencies will be managed through a direct funds transfer. Intramural applicants are responsible for coordinating through their agency's procedures the use of contractual or assistance funding awards or other appropriate agreements to support extramural collaborators.

Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.5, for budget regulations and instructions for the Research & Related Budget. *For federal agencies or organizations collaborating with federal agencies, budget restrictions apply as are noted in the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.5.*

II.D.6. Other Submission Requirements

Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 4, for detailed formatting guidelines.

II.E. Application Review Information

II.E.1. Criteria

II.E.1.a. Peer Review

To determine technical merit, all applications will be evaluated according to the following **scored criteria**, which are of *equal importance*:

• Impact

• Assuming the objectives/goals of the proposed research project are realized, to what degree:

- The anticipated outcome(s)/product(s) of the project will be used as the foundation for future research projects that will enable progress towards providing a solution to one or more of the <u>FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenges</u>
- The proposed research would, in the long term, make an impact on prostate cancer patient care, and contribute to the goal of eliminating death from prostate cancer and enhancing the well-being of Service Members, Veterans, and all the men and their families who are experiencing the impact of the disease

• Research Strategy and Feasibility

- How well the scientific rationale supports the research and its feasibility, as demonstrated by logical reasoning, a critical review and analysis of the published literature, and the presentation of preliminary data to support the scientific rationale and research approaches
- If applicable, how well the preliminary data supports the clinical relevance of the idea
- How well the hypotheses or objectives, aims, experimental design, methods, and analyses are developed
- How well the application acknowledges potential problems and addresses alternative approaches
- Whether the application provides sufficient evidence to support the availability of and access to the resources, patient populations, and/or samples required for the study and whether the plan for the recruitment of subjects or the acquisition of samples is sufficient for the proposed research project (if applicable)
- Whether the strategy for the inclusion of women and minorities and distribution of proposed enrollment are appropriate for the proposed research (if applicable)

- If animal studies are included, how well the study (or studies) is designed to achieve reproducible and rigorous results, including controls, sample size estimation, blinding, randomization, and data handling
- If applicable, whether data will be appropriately reported and documented to support a regulatory filing with the FDA

• Statistical Plan

• Whether the statistical plan, including sample size projections and power analysis, is adequate for the study (if applicable)

• Transition Plan

- How well the application demonstrates feasible methods and strategies to move the project's findings to the next phase of development, clinical trials, and/or delivery to the commercial market after successful completion of the award
- Whether the application appropriately addresses available opportunities and potential barriers that could impact the progress of commercializing and/or translating the study results into clinical practice
- Whether the timeline for expected post-award progress is reasonable, and contains appropriate milestones and deliverables for advancing the study results toward clinical impact
- Whether the proposed transition plan includes sufficient evidence that the PI has or can secure additional funding or whether the plan clearly describes potential options to secure the additional funding needed to bring the outcomes to the next phase of development
- Whether the collaborations and other resources described are sufficient to provide continuity of development
- How well the plans are described for distribution of the findings or intervention to the prostate cancer community

• Personnel

- To what degree the research team's background is appropriate with respect to its ability to perform the proposed work, including whether there is evidence of sufficient clinical and/or statistical expertise (if applicable)
- How appropriate the levels of effort are for successful conduct of the proposed work
- **Partnering PI Option:** How the partners' combined expertise will better address the research question and support why the work should be done together rather than through separate efforts

In addition, the following **unscored criteria** will also contribute to the overall evaluation of the application:

• Environment

- To what degree the scientific environment is appropriate for the proposed research
- How well the research requirements are supported by the availability of and access to facilities and resources (including patient populations, samples, and collaborative arrangements)
- To what degree the quality and extent of institutional support are appropriate for the proposed research
- If applicable, to what degree the intellectual and material property plan is appropriate
- Data and Research Resources Sharing Plan
 - To what degree the plan for sharing of project data and research resources is appropriate and reasonable to facilitate use by the wider prostate cancer research community
- Budget
 - Whether the **direct** costs exceed the allowable direct costs as published in the program announcement
 - Whether the budget is appropriate for the proposed research

• Application Presentation

• To what extent the writing, clarity, and presentation of the application components influence the review

II.E.1.b. Programmatic Review

To make funding recommendations and select the application(s) that, individually or collectively, will best achieve the program objectives, the following criteria are used by programmatic reviewers:

- Ratings and evaluations of the peer reviewers
- Relevance to the mission of the Defense Health Program and FY22 PCRP, as evidenced by the following:
 - Adherence to the intent of the award mechanism
 - Program portfolio composition

- Programmatic relevance to FY22 PCRP Overarching Challenges
- Relative impact

II.E.2. Application Review and Selection Process

All applications are evaluated by scientists, clinicians, and consumers in a two-tier review process. The first tier is **peer review**, the evaluation of applications against established criteria to determine technical merit, where each application is assessed for its own merit, independent of other applications. The second tier is **programmatic review**, a comparison-based process in which applications with high scientific and technical merit are further evaluated for programmatic relevance. Final recommendations for funding are made to the Commanding General, USAMRDC. *The highest-scoring applications from the first tier of review are not automatically recommended for funding. Funding recommendations depend on various factors as described in Section II.E.1.b, Programmatic Review*. Additional information about the two-tier process used by the CDMRP can be found at https://cdmrp.army.mil/about/2tierRevProcess. An information paper describing the funding recommendations and review process for the award mechanisms for the PCRP will be provided to the PI(s) and posted on the CDMRP website.

All CDMRP review processes are conducted confidentially to maintain the integrity of the meritbased selection process. Panel members sign a statement declaring that application and evaluation information will not be disclosed outside the panel. Violations of confidentiality can result in the dissolving of a panel(s) and other corrective actions. In addition, personnel at the applicant or collaborating organizations are prohibited from contacting persons involved in the review and approval process to gain protected evaluation information or to influence the evaluation process. Violations of these prohibitions will result in the administrative withdrawal of the organization's application. Violations by panel members or applicants that compromise the confidentiality of the review and approval process may also result in suspension or debarment from federal awards. Furthermore, the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information of one party to another third party is a crime in accordance with 18 USC 1905.

II.E.3. Integrity and Performance Information

Prior to making an assistance agreement award where the federal share is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in 2 CFR 200.1, over the period of performance, the federal awarding agency is required to review and consider any information about the applicant that is available in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS).

An applicant organization may review FAPIIS, accessible through SAM, and submit comments to FAPIIS on any information about the organization that a federal awarding agency previously entered and is currently available in FAPIIS.

The federal awarding agency will consider any comments by the applicant, in addition to other information in the designated integrity and performance system, in making a judgment about the applicant's integrity, business ethics, and record of performance under federal awards when

determining a recipient's qualification prior to award, according to the qualification standards of the Department of Defense Grant and Agreement Regulations (DoDGARs), Section 22.415.

II.E.4. Anticipated Announcement and Federal Award Dates

All application review dates and times are indicated in <u>Section I, Overview of the Funding</u> <u>Opportunity</u>.

Each PI and organization will receive email notification of posting of the funding recommendation in eBRAP. Each PI will receive a peer review summary statement on the strengths and weaknesses of the application.

II.F. Federal Award Administration Information

II.F.1. Federal Award Notices

Awards supported with FY22 funds are anticipated to be made no later than September 30, 2023. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 2, for additional award administration information.

After email notification of application review results through eBRAP, and if selected for funding, a representative from the USAMRAA will contact the Business Official authorized to negotiate on behalf of the PI's organization.

Pre-Award Costs: An institution of higher education, hospital, or non-profit organization may, at its own risk and without the government's prior approval, incur obligations and expenditures to cover costs up to 90 days before the beginning date of the initial budget period of a new award. Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section III.A.5.

Only an appointed USAMRAA Grants Officer may obligate the government to the expenditure of funds. No commitment on the part of the government should be inferred from discussions with any other individual. The award document signed by the Grants Officer is the official authorizing document.

Federal Government Organizations: Funding made to federal government organizations (to include intramural DOD organizations) will be executed through the Military Interdepartmental Purchase Request (MIPR) or Funding Authorization Document (FAD) process. Transfer of funds is contingent upon appropriate safety and administrative approvals. Intramural applicants and collaborators are reminded to coordinate receipt and commitment of funds through their respective Resource Manager/Task Area Manager/Comptroller or equivalent Business Official(s).

II.F.1.a. PI Changes and Award Transfers

Changes in PI(s) are not allowed, except under extenuating circumstances that will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and at the discretion of the Grants Officer.

Partnering PI Option: An organizational transfer of an award supporting the Initiating PI or Partnering PI is discouraged and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and only allowed at the discretion of the Grants Officer.

An organizational transfer of an award will not be allowed in the last year of the (original) period of performance or any extension thereof.

Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 2, Section B, for general information on organization or PI changes.

II.F.2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

Applicable requirements in the DoDGARs found in 32 CFR, Chapter I, Subchapter C, and 2 CFR, Chapter XI, apply to grants and cooperative agreements resulting from this program announcement.

Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 2, for general information regarding administrative requirements.

Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 5, for general information regarding national policy requirements.

Refer to full text of the latest <u>DoD R&D General Terms and Conditions</u>; the <u>USAMRAA</u> <u>General Research Terms and Conditions with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and</u> <u>Non-Profit Organizations: Addendum to the DoD R&D General Terms and Conditions</u>; and the <u>USAMRAA General Research Terms and Conditions with For-Profit Organizations</u>, for further information.

New Requirement: Certification Regarding Disclosure of Funding Sources. The proposing entity must comply with Section 223(a) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021, which requires that the PI, Partnering PIs (if applicable), and all key personnel:

- Certify that the current and pending support provided on the application is current, accurate, and complete;
- Agree to update such disclosure at the request of the agency prior to the award of support and at any subsequent time the agency determines appropriate during the term of the award; and
- Have been made aware of the requirements under Section 223(a)(1) of this Act.

False, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may result in criminal, civil, or administrative penalties (18 USC 1001).

II.F.3. Reporting

Refer to the General Application Instructions, Appendix 2, Section A, for general information on reporting requirements. *If there are technical reporting requirement delinquencies for any*

existing USAMRAA-sponsored awards at the applicant organization, no new awards will be issued to the applicant organization until all delinquent reports have been submitted.

Annual progress reports as well as a final progress report will be required.

The Award Terms and Conditions will specify if more frequent reporting is required.

Award Expiration Transition Plan: An Award Expiration Transition Plan must be submitted with the final progress report. Use the one-page template "Award Expiration Transition Plan," available on the eBRAP "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>) under the "Progress Report Formats" section. The Award Expiration Transition Plan must outline whether and how the research supported by this award will progress and must include source(s) of funding, either known or pending.

PHS Inclusion Enrollment Reporting Requirement *(only required for clinical research studies)*: Enrollment reporting on the basis of sex/gender, race, and/or ethnicity will be required with each annual and final progress report. The PHS Inclusion Enrollment Report is available on the "Funding Opportunities & Forms" web page (<u>https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm</u>) in eBRAP

Awards resulting from this program announcement may entail additional reporting requirements related to recipient integrity and performance matters. Recipient organizations that have federal contract, grant, and cooperative agreement awards with a cumulative total value greater than \$10M are required to provide information to FAPIIS about certain civil, criminal, and administrative proceedings that reached final disposition within the most recent 5-year period and that were connected with performance of a federal award. These recipients are required to disclose, semiannually, information about criminal, civil, and administrative proceedings as specified in the applicable Representations (see General Application Instructions, Appendix 5, Section B).

II.G. Federal Awarding Agency Contacts

II.G.1. eBRAP Help Desk

Questions related to program announcement content or submission requirements as well as questions related to the pre-application or intramural application submission through eBRAP should be directed to the eBRAP Help Desk, which is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET. Response times may vary depending upon the volume of inquiries.

Phone: 301-682-5507

Email: <u>help@eBRAP.org</u>

II.G.2. Grants.gov Contact Center

Questions related to extramural application submission through Grants.gov portal should be directed to the Grants.gov Contact Center, which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

(closed on U.S. federal holidays). Note that the eBRAP Help Desk is unable to provide technical assistance with Grants.gov submission.

Phone: 800-518-4726; International 1-606-545-5035

Email: <u>support@grants.gov</u>

Sign up on Grants.gov for "send me change notification emails" by following the link on the "Synopsis" page for the program announcement or by responding to the prompt provided by Grants.gov when first downloading the Grants.gov application package. If the Grants.gov application package is updated or changed, the original version of the application package may not be accepted by Grants.gov.

II.H. Other Information

II.H.1. Program Announcement and General Application Instructions Versions

Questions related to this program announcement should refer to the program name, the program announcement name, and the program announcement version code 702a. The program announcement numeric version code will match the General Application Instructions version code 702.

II.H.2. Administrative Actions

After receipt of applications, the following administrative actions may occur:

II.H.2.a. Rejection

The following will result in administrative rejection of the application:

- Pre-application was not submitted.
- Project Narrative exceeds page limit.
- Project Narrative is missing.
- Budget is missing.
- More than one application is received naming the same investigator as PI, Initiating PI, or Partnering PI. Only the first application received will be accepted; additional applications will be administratively rejected.

II.H.2.b. Modification

- Pages exceeding the specific limits will be removed prior to review for all documents other than the Project Narrative.
- Documents not requested will be removed.

II.H.2.c. Withdrawal

The following may result in administrative withdrawal of the application:

- An FY22 PCRP Programmatic Panel member is named as being involved in the research proposed or is found to have assisted in the pre-application or application processes including, but not limited to, concept design, application development, budget preparation, and the development of any supporting documentation. *A list of the FY22 PCRP Programmatic Panel members can be found at <u>https://cdmrp.army.mil/pcrp/panels/panel22</u>.*
- The application fails to conform to this program announcement description.
- Inclusion of URLs, with the exception of links in References Cited and Publication and/or Patent Abstract sections.
- Page size is larger than 8.5 inches x 11.0 inches (approximately 21.59 cm x 27.94 cm).
- To preserve the integrity of its peer and programmatic review processes, the CDMRP discourages inclusion of any employee of its review contractors having any role in the preparation, research or other duties for submitted applications. For FY22, the identities of the peer review contractor and the programmatic review contractor may be found at the CDMRP website (<u>https://cdmrp.army.mil/about/2tierRevProcess</u>). Applications that include names of personnel from either of these companies may be administratively withdrawn.
- Personnel from applicant or collaborating organizations are found to have contacted persons involved in the review or approval process to gain protected evaluation information or to influence the evaluation process.
- Applications from extramural organizations, including non-DOD federal agencies, received through eBRAP may be withdrawn.
- Applications submitted by an intramural DOD organization may be withdrawn if the intramural organization cannot coordinate the use of contractual, assistance, or other appropriate agreements to provide funds to extramural collaborators.
- Submission of the same research project to different funding opportunities within the same program and fiscal year.
- The application does not address at least one of the FY22 Overarching Challenges.
- A clinical trial is proposed.
- The PI does not meet the eligibility criteria.
- *Partnering PI Option:* Failure to submit all associated (Initiating and Partnering PI) applications by the deadline.

II.H.2.d. Withhold

Applications that appear to involve research misconduct will be administratively withheld from further consideration pending organizational investigation. The organization will be required to provide the findings of the investigation to the USAMRAA Grants Officer for a determination of the final disposition of the application.

Application Components	Action	Single or Initiating PI Completed	Partnering PI Completed
SF424 Research & Related Application for Federal Assistance (extramural submissions only)	Complete form as instructed		
Summary (Tab 1) and Application Contacts (Tab 2) (intramural submissions only)	Complete tabs as instructed		
Attachments	Project Narrative: Upload as Attachment 1 with file name "ProjectNarrative.pdf" Supporting Documentation: Upload as Attachment 2 with file name "Support.pdf" Technical Abstract: Upload as Attachment 3 with file name "TechAbs.pdf" Lay Abstract: Upload as Attachment 4 with file name "LayAbs.pdf" Statement of Work: Upload as Attachment 5 with file name "SOW.pdf" Impact Statement: Upload as Attachment 6 with file name "Impact.pdf" Partnership Statement: Upload as Attachment 7 with file name "Partnership.pdf" Transition Plan: Upload as Attachment 8 with file name "Transition.pdf" Inclusion of Women and Minorities: Upload as Attachment 9 with file name "Inclusion.pdf" if applicable Representations (extramural submissions only): Upload as Attachment 10 with file name "RequiredReps.pdf" Suggested Collaborating DOD Military Facility Budget Format: Upload as Attachment 11 with file name "MFBudget.pdf" if applicable		
Research & Related Personal Data	Complete form as instructed		

II.H.3. Application Submission Checklist

Application Components	Action	Single or Initiating PI Completed	Partnering PI Completed
	Attach PI Biographical Sketch (Biosketch_LastName.pdf) to the appropriate field Attach PI Previous/Current/Pending		
Research & Related	Support (Support_LastName.pdf) to the appropriate field		
Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded)	Attach Biographical Sketch (Biosketch_LastName.pdf) for each		
	senior/key person to the appropriate field Attach Previous/Current/Pending		
	(Support_LastName.pdf) for each senior/key person to the appropriate field		
Research & Related	Complete as instructed. Attach Budget		
Budget (extramural submissions only)	Justification (BudgetJustification.pdf) to the appropriate field		
Budget (intramural	Complete the Suggested DOD Military		
submissions only)	Budget Format, including justification		
Project/Performance Site Location(s) Form	Complete form as instructed		
Research & Related Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form	Complete form as instructed		

APPENDIX 1: ACRONYM LIST

ACOS/R&D	Associate Chief of Staff for Research and Development
ACURO	Animal Care and Use Review Office
ARRIVE	Animal Research: Reporting In Vivo Experiments
CDMRP	Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
DOD	Department of Defense
DoDGARs	Department of Defense Grant and Agreement Regulations
DUNS	Data Universal Numbering System
eBRAP	Electronic Biomedical Research Application Portal
EC	Ethics Committee
ET	Eastern Time
FAD	Funding Authorization Document
FAPIIS	Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FY	Fiscal Year
HRPO	Human Research Protection Office
IACUC	Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
IRB	Institutional Review Board
LOI	Letter of Intent
М	Million
MB	Megabytes
MIPR	Military Interdepartmental Purchase Request
NIH	National Institutes of Health
ORCID	Open Researcher and Contributor ID, Inc.
ORP	Office of Research Protections
PCRP	Prostate Cancer Research Program
PDF	Portable Document Format
PHS	Public Health Service
PI	Principal Investigator
SAM	System for Award Management
SOW	Statement of Work
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering, and/or Mathematics

TSA	Translational Science Award
UEI	Unique Entity Identifier
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
USAMRAA	U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity
USAMRDC	U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command
USC	United States Code
VA	Department of Veterans Affairs