

We are accepting new applications to the Shared Equipment Evaluation Program (VHA Handbook 1202.6). Please paste this weblink <http://vaww.research.va.gov/resources/policies/docs/ShEEP-070105.pdf> into your VA intranet browser.

All submissions will be due no later than COB March 21, 2008. Late and/or incomplete submissions will be administratively withdrawn from consideration.

The following instructions relate to the Shared Equipment Evaluation Program Handbook (VHA Handbook 1202.6, Appendix A “Shared or Common Resource Research Equipment” for the 2008 submission cycle.

- The total amount requested from BLRD/CSRD may not exceed \$500,000
- The minimum cost for individual items has been raised to \$50,000
- The total amount requested must have dollar-for-dollar matching
in-kind partnering will not be accepted
- R&D approval is not required in the initial application, but will be required if funding is approved

Further inquiries on Shared or Common Resource Research Equipment may be addressed to:

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The following instructions relate to the Shared Equipment Evaluation Program Handbook (VHA Handbook 1202.6, Appendix B “Animal Facility Equipment” for the 2008 submission cycle.

THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR FY2008 ONLY!

- Cage washers, rack washers, bottle washers, autoclaves and ventilated bedding dump facilities.

AND/OR

- High density racks with individually ventilated cages. Each request will be allowed to include a set of primary cages and one set of changing cages per rack.

PLEASE CAREFULLY NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- Dollar for dollar matching will not be required for Animal Facility Equipment Requests.

- Full submission packages per handbook requirements shall be required by the deadline. Only (2) two complete paper copies are to be submitted to VACO.
- The LAMb program will NOT consider for funding the following elements of any proposal:
 - Service contracts
 - Installation, deinstallation, and removal of existing equipment
 - Site preparation requirements
 - Markups due to contracting requirements at the facility*A commitment letter from the facility engineering service (138) must be provided for all major equipment requests outlining how these services (installation, de-installation, removal and preparation of the site) will be provided at the facility.*
- There will be no construction funds available to support the Animal Equipment program.
- Site visits may be used to gain a better understanding of the facilities' major equipment needs.

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