

# VA RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM RESEARCH FORUM

Friday, May 23, 2008



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## *A Promise for a Brighter Tomorrow*

**Friday, May 23, 2008 • 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM • VA Central Office, Room 230**  
VA Research Exhibits and Demonstrations • Room C7 • 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM

### **Featured Speakers Include:**

James B. Peake, M.D., Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs

Michael J. Kussman, M.D., Under Secretary for Health

Joel Kupersmith, M.D., Chief Research & Development Officer

Susan Dentzer, Editor, *Health Affairs*

Bob Feller, WWII Veteran, Baseball Hall of Fame

### **Also Featured:**

William S. Middleton Award • Veterans Panel • VA Investigators



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# VA RESEARCH FORUM AGENDA

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810 Vermont Avenue, NW • Washington, DC • Room 230

**8:00-2:30 Exhibit Hall Open**

Room C7

*Guests should allow sufficient time for standard security check and have picture ID available.*

**9:00-9:10 Introduction**

**Joel Kupersmith, M.D.**

Chief Research & Development Officer  
Veterans Health Administration

**9:10-9:30 Opening Remarks, Q&A**

**Michael Kussman, M.D.**

Under Secretary for Health  
Veterans Health Administration

**9:30-9:50 Keynote Remarks, Q&A**

**James B. Peake, M.D.**

Secretary of Veterans Affairs

**9:50-10:00 William S. Middleton Award**

**Secretary James B. Peake, M.D.**

**Under Secretary Michael Kussman, M.D.**

**Joel Kupersmith, M.D., CRADO**

**10:00-10:15 Honorary Speaker**

**Susan Dentzer, Editor, Health Affairs**

**10:15-10:30 R&D Program Summary**

**Joel Kupersmith, M.D., CRADO**

**10:30-10:40 VA Research: Schizophrenia**

**Robert Freedman, M.D., Denver VAMC**  
William S. Middleton Awardee

**10:40-10:50 VA Research: Diabetes**

**Daryl Granner, M.D., Nashville VAMC**  
William S. Middleton Awardee

**10:50-11:00 Research Q&A**

**11:00-11:15 Break**

**11:15-12:00 Impact of Research Advances**

**Veteran Panel**

**12:00-12:15 Honorary Speaker**

**Bob Feller, WWII Veteran and**  
Baseball Hall of Famer

**12:15-12:25 VA Research:  
Brain-Computer Interface**

**John P. Donoghue, Ph.D., Providence VAMC**

**12:25-12:35 VA Research:  
Women's Health Issues**

**Donna L. Washington, M.D., M.P.H.**  
VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System

**12:35-12:45 Research Q & A**

**12:45-1:00 Closing Remarks**

**Joel Kupersmith, M.D., CRADO**

**1:00-2:30 Open Exhibits & Light Lunch**

- Research Advances
- Hands-On Demonstration of State-of-the-Art Research
- Media Interviews