

Working with the Veterans Health Administration: Partnerships in Research for Alzheimer's Disease

Friday, July 25, 2025 | 8 a.m. – noon
Westin Harbour Castle-Harbour C — Toronto, Canada
All times are in Eastern Standard Time
In-person attendance only

Overview

The goal of this workshop is to provide information regarding how to partner with the VA to sponsor or conduct clinical research. This workshop is open to investigators (VA and non-VA affiliated), VA non-profit corporations, and potential corporate partners. Topics will include the current state of Alzheimer's research within the VA, how to get involved with research at the VA from investigator-initiated projects to sponsored clinical trials, how to establish partnerships between the VA and industry, how to work with your VA's non-profit corporation (NPC), and the administrative processes involved.

Organizing Committee

- Steven L Carroll, M.D., Ph.D.
- Kayla Wilson, Ph.D.

Target Audience

This ISTAART immersive workshop is designed for individuals at the beginner level in Administration, Clinical Practice, Research, Industry, and VA NPCs.

Learning Objectives

1. Understand how to conduct research in the VA system

Registration

Educational workshops are offered for in-person attendance only. Workshops require a separate registration fee in addition to AAIC full conference registration, or they may be purchased as stand-alone events. Visit alz.org/AAIC.

Agenda: July 25, 2025 | 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Time	Session Details	Speakers and Moderator
7:00-8:00 am	Light Breakfast (Westin Metropolitan Ballroom)	
8:00-8:30 am	Welcome and Introduction: Overview of neurodegenerative research at the VA, development of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) National Coordinating Center, and overview of the ADRD National Coordinating Center	Dr. Amanda LaRue, Associate Chief of Staff, Research at Ralph H. Johnson VA Healthcare System Dr. Steven Carroll, Executive Director, VA ADRD National Coordinating Center
8:30-9:30 am	Panel: Interdisciplinary perspectives from physician scientists at different stages of program development as well as non-profit corporation (NPC) partners	Invited VA physician scientists and NPC Executive Directors
9:30-9:45 am	Refreshment Break	
9:45-11:15 am	"Mythbusters": Case studies regarding common misconceptions about collaborating with the VA and what the truth is	Dr. Kayla Wilson, VA and Lowcountry Center for Veterans Research Alzheimer's Association Research Fellow
11:15 am-12 pm	Wrap Up: Final questions and answers and survey of learning objectives	Dr. Steven Carroll, Executive Director, VA ADRD National Coordinating Center