Keynote Speakers 10:00 – 12:00 pm

Terri Gleason, PhD & Miriam Smyth, PhD
Director and Deputy Director, Clinical Science R&D, VA Central Office, Washington, D.C.
ORD Listening Tour followed by CSRD Service Overview
Townhall Meeting following

Innovations and Discoveries in Healthcare Advancements
Research Presentations Session 1:30 – 3:30 pm

1:30 Evaluating The Impact of Medication-Assisted Treatment For Alcohol Use Disorder on Hospitalization Rates In a Veteran Population
- Sundus Awan, PharmD (Lovell Federal Health Care Center)

1:45 Novel Intervention for Improving Swallowing Outcomes after Head and Neck Cancer
- Bonnie Martin-Harris, PhD, CCC-SLP (Hines VA Hospital & Northwestern University)

2:00 Potential Role of IL-17 Family Cytokines in GWVI
- Joseph Reynolds, PhD (Lovell Federal Health Care Center & Rosalind Franklin University)

2:15 Novel Roles for Potassium Channels in the Etiology and Treatment of Asthma
- Ken Byron, PhD (Hines VA Hospital & Loyola University Chicago)

2:30 Preventing Reperfusion Injury: Application to Stroke Treatment
- William Simmons, PhD (Loyola University Chicago)

2:45 Movement Amplification Improves Walking Balance after Spinal Cord Injury
- Keith Gordon, PhD (Hines VA Hospital & Northwestern University)

3:00 Biology and Biomechanics of Surgical Reconstruction after Spinal Cord Injury
- Richard Lieber, PhD, MBA (Hines VA Hospital, Shirley Ryan Ability Lab & Northwestern University)

3:15 The Impact of My HealthVet on Healthcare Utilization and Cost
- Bridget Smith, PhD (Hines VA Hospital & Northwestern University)