

**Biomedical Research & Development (BLR&D)  
Letter of Intent (LOI) Template for Collaborative Merit Applications**

**Principal Investigator (PI) Name:**

**Project Title:**

The sections below must be completed and attached to VHA Research & Development Letter  
of Intent Cover Page (VA Form 10-1313-13) (<http://www.research.va.gov/funding/process/forms.cfm>).

Please complete each of the fillable boxes below. Your text may not exceed the space provided. Include references in a separate document.

1. Brief description of the objectives of the proposal and the hypothesis to be tested *(max 500 characters)*

2. Scientific rationale and significance to the Veteran population trial *(max 1500 characters)*

3. Background Data/Preliminary Studies conducted and supporting the application. Provide references for any published results in a separate document *(max 1500 characters)*

4. Study design/statistical methods *(max 1500 characters)*

5. Project Management Plan *(max 1500 characters)*