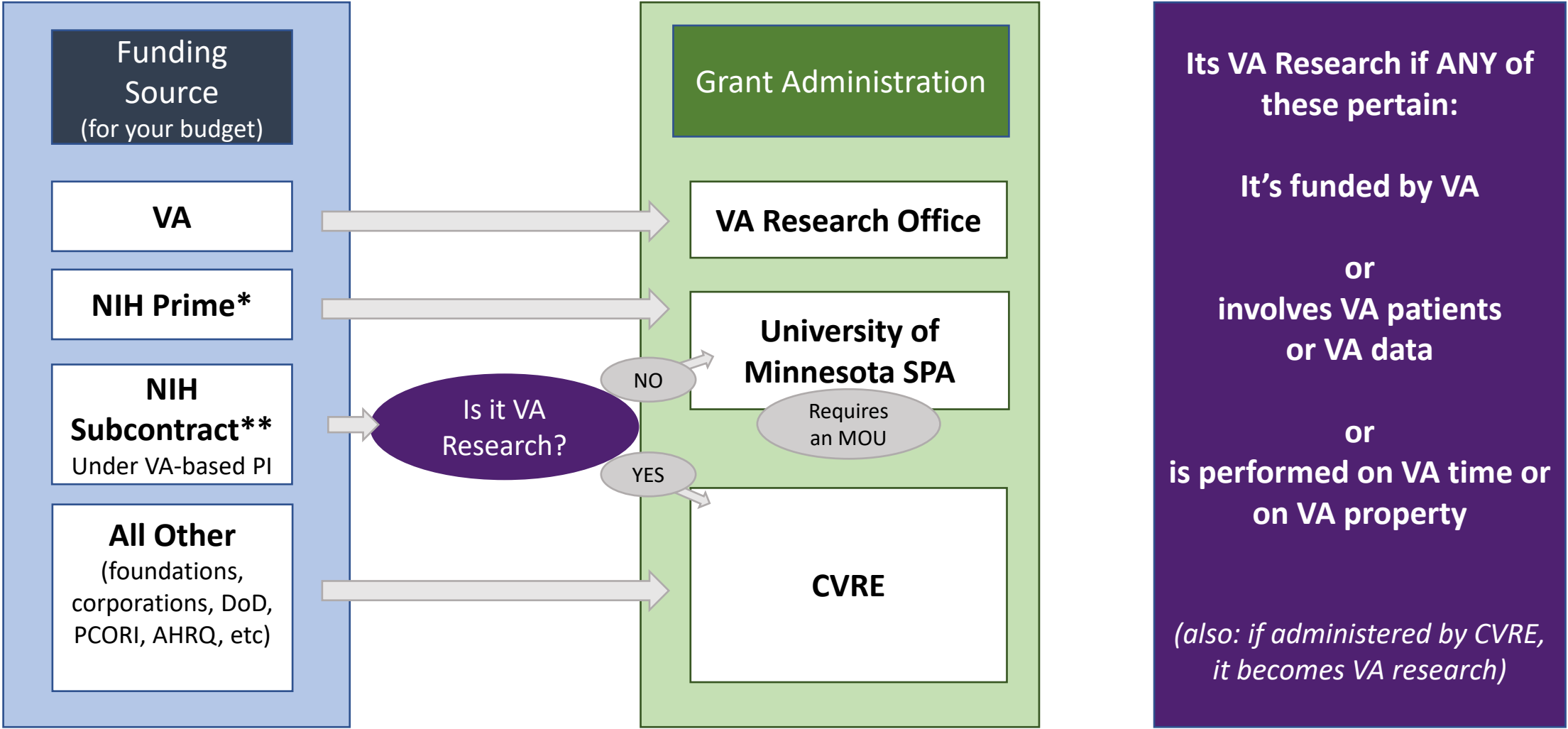


**For MVAHCS-based investigators (5/8ths or more) with a
University of Minnesota Medical School faculty appointment**

08/16/2021

(see policy on reverse side)



* On rare occasions ACOS may determine that an NIH Prime should go through CVRE (e.g. when vast majority of \$ is for VA expenses)

** If subcontract includes nothing but VA PI time, and the PI's supervisor confirms that he/she is eligible for the 60-hour work week, the ACOS may allow the subcontract to be administered at the University

MVAHCS Policy on Research Awards Administration (SOP Res Svc--R&D-007)

ATTACHMENT A: MVAHCS Policy on Research Awards Administration

This policy is intended to balance 3 competing interests: the Minneapolis VA Health Care System (MVAHCS) maximizing its share of research-associated Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation (VERA) dollars and the strength of its affiliated non-profit corporation (NPC), the University of Minnesota Medical School maximizing its NIH ranking, and MVAHCS investigators maximizing their compensation.

The following 3 requirements apply to all investigators with a 5/8ths or greater MVAHCS appointment, for all studies considered to be VA research*:

1. All VA awards must be administered through the MVAHCS (i.e. research office or Center for Care Delivery and Outcomes Research, CCDOR).
2. All prime NIH grants must be administered through the Sponsored Project Administration (SPA) at the University of Minnesota. Occasional exceptions may be made by the ACOS/R
3. All other grants (e.g. NIH subawards, Department of Defense, foundation, industry, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality) must be administered through the NPC. Occasional exceptions may be allowed by the Associate Chief of Staff for Research (ACOS) in cases where an exception will further a compelling institutional priority. In these cases, the ACOS will consider investigator status (research-funded employee or clinically funded), nature of the research project (involving VA patients/resources or only investigator time), and other relevant factors.

**VA Research is any research conducted by VA Investigators (serving on compensated, WOC, or IPA appointments) while on VA time or on VA property. The research may be funded by VA, by other sponsors, or be unfunded. All VA research MUST be approved by Research & Development Committee before any work begins.*