

## OCRA Overview:

Research **contracts** originating in non-medical units (A&S, Blair, Divinity, Engineering, Graduate School, Law, Owen, Peabody and miscellaneous non-medical units) will be handled through the Office of Contract and Research Administration (OCRA), John Childress, Director.

**Incoming research contracts where VU is either the prime contractor or the recipient of 'flow-through' funds** will continue to be handled by the same contract negotiators (Jeffrey K. Newman; Madison Gray; and Sara Barker) as before the consolidation, only through the new OCRA office. Research contracts can include, but are not limited to:

- Federal research contracts where VU is the prime contractor;
- Flow-through contracts from corporations and small businesses;
- Contracts supported by corporate funds;
- State contracts;
- Master Agreements and their Task Orders;
- Purchase Orders for research services;
- SBIR and STTR agreements;
- Letter agreements;
- Cooperative Agreements when extensive term negotiation is required; and
- Memoranda of Understanding related to research.

**Incoming GRANT-based sub-award agreements** will be handled by Patrick Green working in conjunction with other OCRA contract negotiators. Pat will be the point of contact.

**Outgoing GRANT-based sub-awards** will be issued through OCRA and handled by Patrick Green. Pat will be the point of contact.

**Outgoing CONTRACT-based sub-contracts** will be handled by the contract negotiator for the contract.

**Research-related contracts and agreements** will be handled by an OCRA contract negotiator. Examples of such contracts/agreements include:

- Research collaboration agreements;
- Data-use agreements;
- Teaming agreements;
- Student Internship Agreements related to research;
- IPAs; and
- In general, any un-funded, research-related agreement requiring Vanderbilt institutional endorsement.

### **OCRA Contracts Group includes:**

- Sara Barker
- Madison Gray
- Pat Green
- Jeff Newman
- Pamela Watson