

Request for Records Disposition Authority

Records Schedule Number DAA-0015-2017-0003

Schedule Status Approved

Agency or Establishment Department of Veterans Affairs

Record Group / Scheduling Group Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs

Records Schedule applies to Department-wide

Schedule Subject DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (DVA)
VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (VHA)
The Office of Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD)

Internal agency concurrences will be provided No

Background Information

The VA Prosthetics Center (VAPC) was established in 1956 at the VA Facility in Brooklyn, NY, to organize and publish the research, engineering, production and purchase of prosthetic devices for Veterans. The VAPC carried out a variety of practical projects, primarily to improve upper and lower limb prostheses. It became increasingly involved in the evaluation of devices developed by others. With the advent of improved and more timely treatment of soldiers (helicopters, MASH units) more soldiers were surviving, but with significant loss of limbs, visual function and communicative disorders; there was a need for a more vigorous approach to prosthetics and rehabilitation.

A key contribution led by Dr. Eugene Murphy was starting and continuing publications to share information among the prosthetics and sensory aids community. From 1954 to 1972, with VA support, the National Research Council (NRC) published a journal called Artificial Limbs. To cover the broader field of research included in it's Prosthetics and Sensory Aids research program, the VA started its own Bulletin of Prosthetics Research (BPR) in 1964.

The BPR presented VA sponsored research, both as progress reports and original articles. It also presented other research in the field. Recognized as a primary source of state-of-the-art information about research in prosthetics and sensory aids; by 1983 the BPR had expanded to include all areas of rehabilitation and changed its title to reflect its broader scope to become the JRRD.

In 1986 an investigation of the VAREC Veterans Affairs Rehabilitation Engineering Center processes revealed a need to relocate them to Baltimore and to locate four other Centers in the 103 S. Gay St. (Appraisers Stores) Building. JRRD was originally published quarterly; however, the emerging cross disciplinary findings in rehabilitation have warranted a further expansion in scope and JRRD has increased to bi-monthly publications with multiple single-topic supplements. It increased in number of submissions, number of issues published annually and the scope of coverage broadened after Vietnam and Desert Storm conflicts. An on-line submission and review process was instituted approximately thirteen years ago.

In 2015 the NRAC for the Office of Research and Development (ORD) was chartered to review the operations of JRRD and they recommended the closing of the JRRD. This was done at the end of fy2016.

The JRRD is a peer reviewed and indexed multidisciplinary publication of the DVA, ORD, and Rehabilitation Research and Development (RRD). The core mission is to distribute the results of technical and clinical research into the rehabilitation from injuries and diseases suffered by Veterans as a result of their service. The JRRD accepts submissions from researchers in and outside the DVA and is distributed internationally through its printed editions and on-line posting in the ORD website.

Office of Journal of Rehabilitation Research general photograph collection. These photographs range from the 1950s-1990s of Prosthetic equipment for VHA test patients. In addition there are some general photograph lab, photographs, of staff, facility and building. There are a total of 9 file cabinets, 5 drawers. Each photograph has some basic meta data of subject, place and time taken. Photographs, artist drawings, graphs and other illustrations related to the original BPR which was created in 1964 prior to JRRD. The collection totals 2 file cabinets, 5 drawers. Each document has a fair amount of meta data related to the issue of BPR.

Item Count

Number of Total Disposition Items	Number of Permanent Disposition Items	Number of Temporary Disposition Items	Number of Withdrawn Disposition Items
3	3	0	0

GAO Approval

Outline of Records Schedule Items for DAA-0015-2017-0003

Sequence Number	
1	The Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD) Disposition Authority Number: DAA-0015-2017-0003-0001
2	General Photograph QH collection of the Office of Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD) Disposition Authority Number: DAA-0015-2017-0003-0002
3	Photographs, artist drawings graphs and other illustrations Disposition Authority Number: DAA-0015-2017-0003-0003

Records Schedule Items

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1	<p>The Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD)</p> <p>Disposition Authority Number DAA-0015-2017-0003-0001</p> <p>Originally published as the Bulletin of Prosthetics Research (BPR) after the Korean War in 1960, it evolved into the current form in 1980. It also expanded its range from prosthetics alone to cover research into any injury or disease deemed service connected, including PTSD, ALS and Traumatic Brain Injury. It published multi-topic issues as well as focused single topic editions. It ceased publication on September 30, 2016.</p> <p>Final Disposition Permanent</p> <p>Item Status Active</p> <p>Is this item media neutral? No</p> <p>Explanation of limitation Applies only to paper records</p> <p>Do any of the records covered by this item currently exist in electronic format(s) other than e-mail and word processing? No</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Manual Citation</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Manual Title</th> </tr> <tr> <td>New</td> <td>Records Control Schedule (RCS 10-1)</td> </tr> </table> <p>Disposition Instruction</p> <p>If this item has multiple sections, indicate here records to which this section apply Non-electronic Textual Records</p> <p>Cutoff Instruction Cutoff at the closure of the JRRD Office.</p> <p>Transfer to the National Archives for Accessioning Transfer to the National Archives immediately after the closure of the JRRD Office.</p> <p>Additional Information</p> <p>First year of records accumulation 1950</p> <p>End year of records accumulation 2016</p> <p>What will be the date span of the initial transfer of records to the National Archives? From 1950 To 2016</p>	Manual Citation	Manual Title	New	Records Control Schedule (RCS 10-1)
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How frequently will your agency transfer these records to the National Archives? **Unknown**
One time transfer, the Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD) has been discontinued.

	Estimated Current Volume	Annual Accumulation
Electronic/Digital		
Paper	17 Cubic feet	17 Cubic feet
Microform		
Hardcopy or Analog Special Media		

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General Photograph QH collection of the Office of Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD)

Disposition Authority Number **DAA-0015-2017-0003-0002**

These photographs range from the 1950's of Prosthetic equipment for VHA test patients. In addition there are some general photograph lab, photographs, of staff, facility and building.

Final Disposition **Permanent**
Item Status **Active**
Is this item media neutral? **No**
Explanation of limitation **Applies only to paper records**
Do any of the records covered by this item currently exist in electronic format(s) other than e-mail and word processing? **Yes**
Do any of the records covered by this item exist as structured electronic data? **No**

Manual Citation	Manual Title
New	Records Control Schedule (RCS 10-1)

Disposition Instruction

If this item has multiple sections, indicate here records to which this section apply **Non-electronic Photographs and Other Graphic Materials**

Cutoff Instruction **Cutoff at the closure of JRRD Office**

Transfer to the National Archives for Accessioning **Transfer to the National Archives immediately after closure of of JRRD Office**

Additional Information

First year of records accumulation **1950**

End year of records accumulation **2016**

What will be the date span of the initial transfer of records to the National Archives? **From 1950 To 2016**

How frequently will your agency transfer these records to the National Archives? **Unknown**
One time transfer, the Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD) has been discontinued.

	Estimated Current Volume	Annual Accumulation
Electronic/Digital		
Paper	7 Cubic feet	7 Cubic feet
Microform		
Hardcopy or Analog Special Media		

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Photographs, artist drawings graphs and other illustrations

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Original BPR which was created in the 1960s prior to Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (JRRD).

Final Disposition **Permanent**

Item Status **Active**

Is this item media neutral? **No**

Explanation of limitation **Applies only to paper records**

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Agency Certification

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal in this schedule are not now needed for the business of the agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified.

Signatory Information

Date	Action	By	Title	Organization
04/18/2017	Certify	Martin Hill	Program Management Office	Office of Information and Technology - Enterprise Records Service
10/18/2017	Submit for Concurrence	David Weber	Senior Appraisal Archivist	National Archives and Records Administration - Records Management Services
10/24/2017	Concur	Margaret Hawkins	Director of Records Management Services	National Records Management Program - ACNR Records Management Services
10/24/2017	Concur	Margaret Hawkins	Director of Records Management Services	National Records Management Program - ACNR Records Management Services
10/25/2017	Approve	David Ferriero	Archivist of the United States	Office of the Archivist - Office of the Archivist