

Rehabilitation Research and Development Service Key Differences* between CDA-1, CDA-2 and HBCU awards

	CDA 1	CDA 2	HBCU
Eligibility at Submission	no more than 2 years since doctoral degree and related training	no more than 5 years since doctoral degree and related training	Same as CDA-2
Prior Funding	Must not have been PI on a peer-reviewed independent research project	Must not have been a PI on a peer-reviewed independent research project supported in excess of \$100,000/year. No mentored post-doc awards lasting greater than three years.	Same as CDA-2
Prior Productivity	Demonstrated commitment to research in proposed topic area	At least one first authored paper in topic area	Same as CDA-2
Award Funding	Maximum of 2 years of salary support	Maximum of 5 years of salary support plus project funds	Same as CDA-2
Mentors	Primary mentor must be VA employee	Same as CDA-1	Primary VA mentor plus HBCU mentor
Research Plan	Integrated with the mentor's ongoing funded research	Independent work to generate scientific knowledge or advance clinical practice	Same as CDA-2

*Table highlights differences among CDA types. Consult RFAs for details.