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NAEVR Advocates for FY2007 DOD Vision Research as FY2006 Awards Announced

In the post-election “lame duck” session, Congress will conference FY2007 health-related Department of Defense (DOD) spending, which is contained in the House Military Quality of Life and Senate Defense appropriations bills. This includes NAEVR’s request that eye and vision research remain eligible for funding under the Peer-Reviewed Medical Research Program (PRMRP). NAEVR is working closely with the offices of House champion Cong. Jim Walsh (R-NY) and Senate champion Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX). At press time, FY2006 awards were announced, which included at least two vision-related grants. NAEVR will report further on the status of the FY2007 listing and FY2006 awards. Full details appear in the NAEVR Web site Advocacy Center’s dedicated section on defense-related vision research.