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## **CHRB Announces its New Officers for 2013/2014**

The Commonwealth Health Research Board [CHRB] today announced its new officers for 2013/2014. Dr. Robert S. Call has been reelected to the position of Chairman and Dr. George E. Broman, Jr. has been reelected to the position of Vice Chairman.

Dr. Call received his undergraduate and medical school degrees from the University of Virginia. He completed his internship and residency at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. Call also completed an Allergy Fellowship and served as an instructor in medicine at the University of Virginia. He currently practices Allergy and Immunology and Internal Medicine in Richmond, Virginia. Dr. Call also owns Clinical Research Partners, a company that performs phase II and III clinical trials on a variety of pharmaceuticals for the last 18 years. Dr. Call is a past President and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Richmond Academy of Medicine and past President of the Allergy & Asthma Society of Virginia.

Dr. Broman received his undergraduate and medical school degrees from Washington University in St. Louis. He completed his general surgical residency at St. Joseph's Hospital in Denver, Colorado. He served in the United States Army Medical Corps from 1963 to 1965. Dr. Broman served in the Virginia House of Delegates from 2000 to 2003 serving the 30<sup>th</sup> District to include the Counties of Culpeper, Green [part], Madison and Orange. While in the legislature, he served on the following committees: Counties, Cities and Towns; Health, Welfare and Institutions; Agriculture; Labor and Commerce; and Finance. Dr. Broman is a past President of the Medical Society of Virginia and currently serves as a member of the American Medical Association, Virginia Surgical Society, Southeastern Surgical Society and as a Fellow, American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Call was initially appointed to the CHRB by Governor Warner in April 2005 to serve a term of five years ending March 31, 2010. Dr. Call was reappointed to the CHRB by Governor McDonnell for a term of five years ending March 31, 2015. Dr. Broman was initially appointed to the CHRB by the Joint Rules Committee in April 2005 to serve a term of five years ending March 31, 2010. Dr. Broman was reappointed to the CHRB by the Joint Rules Committee for a term of five years ending March 31, 2015.

The Board was established in 1997 by the Virginia General Assembly using funds provided from the conversion of Trigon from a mutual company to a stock company. The Board awards grants for traditional medical and biomedical research as well as research related to health services and the delivery of health care. Since its inception in 1999 the CHRB has funded 157 research grants totaling \$12.2 million.