

**Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
Human Research Review Committee
2012 Annual Report**

The *Code of Virginia* §51.5-14.01 directs the Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services' (DARS), formally known as the Department of Rehabilitative Services (DRS) Human Research Review Committee (HRRC) to submit to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the DARS Commissioner, at least annually, a report on the human research projects reviewed and approved by the HRRC, including any significant deviations from the research applications as approved by the Committee. The HRRC has internal oversight responsibilities for ensuring protection of the rights and welfare of DARS clients and employees who volunteer to participate in research conducted or authorized by DARS. The DARS Commissioner established the HRRC in August, 2000 to review and approve research to be conducted or authorized by DARS, the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC), and Centers for Independent Living and Employment Services Organizations that have a vendor relationship with DARS.

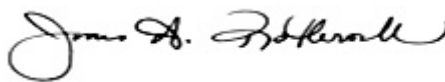
The HRRC also complies with federal requirements for the *Protection of Human Subjects* (45 CFR 46). The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services approved the HRRC Federal wide Assurance (FWA#00008936) beginning August 15, 2005. The FWA is currently effective through July 16, 2017

The Human Research Review Committee (HRRC) conducts three types of reviews: Exempt Review (regulatory oversight not required), Expedited Review (application reviewed and approved by one or more HRRC members) and Full Committee Review (a quorum of members in attendance). Three new applications were reviewed during the State Fiscal Year 2012. One was approved by Expedited Review, and two were approved by Exempted Review. The HRRC also conducted three continuing/amended reviews to previously approved studies, and received four study closures.

To the best of the Committee's knowledge, all research involving human volunteers conducted or authorized by DARS or the WWRC during SFY 2012 was reviewed by the HRRC. The HRRC has no evidence suggesting that there were any significant deviations from study procedures as approved by the HRRC for the studies that were reviewed and approved by the DARS HRRC during SFY 2012.

Composition of the HRRC is governed by 22 VAC 30-40-60 and 45 CFR 46.107. As of June 30, 2012, the HRRC had seven members and two alternates.

This document is the HRRC's eleventh Annual Report. I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the HRRC for their commitment to supporting this important endeavor.



James A. Rothrock
Commissioner

During State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2012, the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Service, Human Research Review Committee reviewed 13 applications.

SFY 2012 Research Application Requests	
Studies that Received Initial Approval	3
Studies that were Amended / Continued	5
Studies that were Closed	4
Studies that were Cancelled or Withdrawn	1
TOTAL	13

Studies Receiving Initial Approval during SFY2012

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Type of Review	Control Number	Expiration Date
Study of Barriers and Supports to use of Research by Vocational Rehabilitation Staff	Dr. Micheal West	Exempt	SFY12-001	October 30, 2012
Improve outcomes for Individuals Receiving Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Served by State Vocational Rehabilitation	Dr. Susan Foley	Expedited	SFY12-002	February 1, 2013
Current Training Needs of Rehabilitation Counselors	Dr. Scott Beveridge	Exempt	SFY12-003	July 31, 2012

Studies Continued/Amended

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Type of Review	Control Number	Expiration Date
Development and Feasibility of an Internet Intervention for Adults with Spinal Cord Injury to Prevent Pressure Ulcers	Kate Baxter	Continuing/Amended Expedited	SFY11-003	February 19, 2013
A Randomized Control Trial of the Apple Ipad Touch as a Vocational Support Technology for Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder.	Lynwood (Tony) O. Gentry, Ph.D. OTR/L	Continuing/Amended Expedited	SFY10-003	March 12, 2013
Longitudinal Administrative Rehabilitation on Occupational Data Repository (LARDOR)	David Dean, Ph.D.	Continuing/Amended (U of R Review)	SFY09-001	April 4, 2013

Assessing Longitudinal Employment Impacts of DRS Service Provision ¹	David Dean, Ph.D.	Continuing/ Amended (U of R Review)	SFY09-002	April 4, 2013
A Collaborative Public/Private Employment Training and Placement Model for Transition Age Youth With Autism Spectrum Disorders	Dr. Carol Schall / VCU	In Review	SFY09-008	TBD

Studies Closed During State Fiscal Year 2012

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Control Number	Closure Date
VR Service Models for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders	John D. Westbrook, Ph.D	SFY10-001	September 17, 2011
Putting Our Heads Together for Brain Injury, A.K.A. Crisis Intervention for Survivors of Acquired Brain Injury: A Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative	Michelle Witt	SFY10-002	March 6, 2012
Preparing Veterans with SCI for Post Secondary Education and Implementation of a Mobile Supported Education Model – Phase I and II	Elizabeth E. Getzel, BA, MA	SFY10-005	June 30, 2012
Identifying Effective Components of a Collaborative Career Planning Model for Individuals with ASD in Postsecondary Education Settings	Elizabeth E. Getzel, BA, MA	SFY10-006	March 21, 2012

Studies Cancelled or Withdrawn During State Fiscal Year 2012

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Control Number	Withdrawn Date
Employment Barriers of Veterans with Severe Injuries	Michael D. West, PhD	SFY11-001	October 21, 2011

¹ The DRS HRRC entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the University Of Richmond Institutional Review Board (IRB) to act as the IRB of record for SFY09-001 and SFY09-002 and the research protocols of Dr. David Dean.