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Virginia Department of Corrections Human Subject Research Review Committee Report

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According to the Code of Virginia, § 53.1-5.1, The Board of Corrections shall promulgate regulations pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ [2.2-4000](#) et seq.) to effectuate the provisions of Chapter 5.1 (§ [32.1-162.16](#) et seq.) of Title 32.1 for human research, as defined in § [32.1-162.16](#), to be conducted or authorized by the Department. The regulations shall require the Human Subject Research Review committee to submit to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Director or his designee at least annually a report on the human research projects reviewed and approved by the committee and shall require the committee to report any significant deviations from the proposals as approved.

During FY 2007, the Human Subject Research Review Committee reviewed 19 human subject research requests received by the Virginia Department of Corrections. The received research requests were processed as follows:

Research Requests Fiscal Year 2007	
Status	Number
Approved Research Requests	9
Denied Research Requests	5
Research Requests Under Revisions	3
Researchers Opting Out of the Review Process	0
Research Extensions Granted	2
Total	19

Of the 19 human subject research requests, the Committee and the Deputy Director of Operations or the Deputy Director of Community Corrections approved 9 proposals. To date there have been no deviations from the 9 proposals as approved. Below is a list of the 9 proposals approved by the HSRRC and the Virginia Department of Corrections.

Title	Affiliation
An Investigation of the Rehabilitation Needs of Women Incarcerated in a Virginia Prison	Virginia Wesleyan

Standardized Victim Impact Curriculum for Corrections	University of New Haven
Community Corrections: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Electronic Monitoring of Moderate to High-Risk Offenders Under Supervision	VA DOC
Improving Correctional Practice in VA – Case File Review	VCU
Treatment fidelity in sex offender programming: Assessing delivery across community providers	VCU
National Inmate Survey (PREA)	RTI International for the Bureau of Justice Statistics
Exploring Offender Socio-emotion Functioning over Time as a means to Understand the Context for Offender Reentry	VCU
National Criminal Justice Treatment Practices Survey of Co-occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorder (NCJTP-COD) Treatment Facilities in Criminal Justice Settings	VCU
National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979	NORC
The Gender and Aggression Project	UVA