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Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services Human Research Review Committee Annual Report SFY 2010

The *Code of Virginia* §51.5-14.01 directs the Department of Rehabilitative Services' (DRS) Human Research Review Committee (HRRC) to submit to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the DRS 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 DRS clients and employees who volunteer to participate in research conducted or authorized by DRS. The DRS Commissioner established the HRRC in August 2000 to review and approve research to be conducted or authorized by DRS, the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC), Centers for Independent Living (CIL) and Employment Services Organizations (ESO) that have a vendor relationship with DRS.

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 September 25, 2011

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). Eight new applications were reviewed during the State Fiscal Year 2010. Three were approved by Exempt Review, and seven were approved by Expedited Review. The HRRC also conducted three continuing/amended reviews to previously approved studies, and received two study closures.

To the best of the Committee's knowledge, all research involving human volunteers conducted or authorized by DRS or the WWRC during SFY 2010 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 DRS HRRC during SFY 2010.

Composition of the Committee is governed by 22 VAC 30-40-60 and 45 CFR 46.107. As of June 30, 2010, the HRRC had seven members and 2 two alternates.

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

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James A. Rothrock
Commissioner

During SFY 2010, the Virginia Department of Rehabilitation, Human Research Review Committee reviewed 13 applications.

Research Application Requests for SFY 2010	
Status	Number
Studies that Received Initial Approval during SFY2010	8
Studies that were Amended / Continued during SFY2010	3
Studies that were Closed during SFY2010	2
TOTAL	13

Studies that received initial approval during SFY 2010

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Type of Review	Control Number	Expiration Date
VR Service Models for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders	John D. Westbrook, Ph.D.	Exempt	SFY10-001	September 17, 2010
Putting Our Heads Together for Brain Injury, A.K.A. Crisis Intervention for Survivors of Acquired Brain Injury: A Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative	Michelle Witt	Expedited	SFY10-002	November 30, 2010
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	Expedited	SFY10-003	February 5, 2011
Crisis Intervention for Survivors of Acquired Brain Injury: A Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative	Michelle Witt	Expedited	SFY10-004	February 10, 2011
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	Expedited	SFY10-005	May 3, 2011
Identifying Effective Components of a Collaborative Career Planning Model for Individuals with ASD in Postsecondary Education Settings	Elizabeth E. Getzel, BA, MA	Expedited	SFY10-006	March 22, 2011

Differentiation of Ethical Dilemmas between Rehabilitation Counselors in the Public and Private Sector	Jorge Garcia, Rh.D.	Exempt	SFY10-007	March 22, 2011
Vocational Rehabilitation Outcome Analysis of Persons Served with Substance Abuse Disorders	Margaret Glenn, Ph.D.	Exempt	SFY10-008	May 25, 2011

Studies Continued / Amended During State Fiscal Year 2010

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Type of Review	Control Number	Expiration Date
An Analysis of Pre-admission and Resource Scheduling Processes at the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center(WWRC)	Kyle Congleton	Continuing / Amended Expedited	SFY09-003	January 31,2011
An Auto Adaptive Interface for Neuromuscular Disabilities, Phase II Barron's	Paula Martin	Continuing / Amended Expedited	SFY09-007	May 25, 2011
A Collaborative Public Private Employment Training and Placement Model for Transition Age Youth w/ Autism Spectrum Disorder	Carol Schall	Continuing / Amended Expedited	SFY09-008	

Studies Closed During State Fiscal Year 2010

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Control Number	Closure Date
Evaluation of Smart Home Technology in a Transitional Living Cottage for Adults with Acquired Brain Injury	Lynwood (Tony) Gentry	SFY08-003	March 31,2010
Pilot Study for Autism Spectrum Disorder Assistive Technology for Cognition (ASDATC), Validating the Efficacy of Handheld Computers as Assistive Technology for Job Supports for Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders	Lynwood (Tony) Gentry	SFY09-006	June 24, 2010