

**Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
Human Research Review Committee
2013 Annual Report**

The *Code of Virginia* § 51.5-132 directs the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services' (DARS) 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.

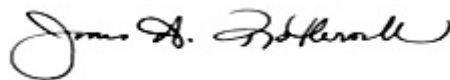
The HRRC also complies with federal requirements for the *Protection of Human Subjects* (45 CFR 46). The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services approved the HRRC Federal wide Assurance (FWA#00008936) beginning August 15, 2005. The FWA is currently effective through July 16, 2017.

The 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 2013. One was approved by Expedited Review, and two were approved by Exempt Review. The HRRC also conducted five continuing/amended reviews to previously approved studies, and received three 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 2013 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 2013.

Composition of the HRRC is governed by 22 VAC 30-40-60 and 45 CFR 46.107. As of June 30, 2013, the HRRC had seven members and two alternates.

This document is the HRRC's twelfth 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) 2013, the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Service, Human Research Review Committee reviewed 11 applications.

SFY 2013 Research Application Requests	
Studies that Received Initial Approval	3
Studies that were Amended / Continued	5
Studies that were Closed	3
Studies that were Cancelled or Withdrawn	0
TOTAL	11

Studies Receiving Initial Approval during SFY2013

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Type of Review	Control Number	Expiration Date
Relationship of an Adjudicator's Personality and Past Work Experience to their Job Performance	John M. Ritz, Ph.D. ODU	Exempt	SFY13-001	N/A
Statewide Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) - Needs and Resource Assessment in Virginia	Dr. Mary A. Moore VCU	Exempt	SFY13-002	N/A
Facilitating Employment for Youth with Autism: A Replication Study of an Internship Model to Identify Evidence Based Research Practices	Paul Wehman, Ph.D. / Carol M. Schall, Ph.D. VCU	Expedited	SFY13-003	April 15, 2014

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 WWRC	Continuing/Amended Expedited	SFY11-003	January 7, 2014
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, 2014 (pending)

Longitudinal Administrative Rehabilitation on Occupational Data Repository (LARDOR)	David Dean, Ph.D. UofR	Continuing/ Amended (U of R Review)	SFY09-001	April 4, 2014
Assessing Longitudinal Employment Impacts of DRS Service Provision ¹	David Dean, Ph.D. UofR	Continuing/ Amended (U of R Review)	SFY09-002	April 4, 2014
A Collaborative Public/Private Employment Training and Placement Model for Transition Age Youth With Autism Spectrum Disorders	Dr. Carol Schall / VCU	Continuing/Amended	SFY09-008	August 8, 2013

Studies Closed During State Fiscal Year 2013

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

Studies Cancelled or Withdrawn During State Fiscal Year 2013

Study Title	Principal Investigator	Control Number	Withdrawn Date
None			

¹ The DARS HRRC has in place 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.