

FLOW OF LITERACY STUDY RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

	Activity	Who's responsible	Rationale	Time needed
1	VR eligibility	VR Counselors	Mandated by RSA	Varied up to 60 days prior
2	Determine preliminary study eligibility If YES to any one of these 5 questions, not eligible for study: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the individual have a college degree (Associates or higher)? Is there any indication of MR? Is the person blind? Is the person deaf? Would increased literacy be inappropriate for meeting the individual's employment goals? (Provide Program Specialist [PS] with completed "Literacy Study Eligibility Data Form")	VR Counselors	Mandated by RSA and project management team	Varies
3	Random assignment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PS provides name & SSN to KU for assignment into control or intervention group 	KU	Mandated by RSA	As immediate as possible to PS
4	Obtain VR consent for LD Screen and CASAS testing and refer to PS for this initial testing (does not need to be a signed consent, verbal consent with notation in case file is acceptable)	VR Counselors		
5	Administer LD Screening (unless LD diagnosis for VR eligibility) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If LD Screen is negative, no need to proceed through remaining steps 	Program Specialist (PS)	Mandated by RSA	15-20 minutes
6	If positive LD Screen, Administer CASAS Reading Level B, Form 14 and if applicable CASAS Reading Level C, Form 16 (paper & pencil version)	PS	Mandated by RSA	45 minutes maximum
7	Determine final study eligibility. If LD Screen is positive and CASAS score is within the 190-235 range, then individual is eligible for study participation (fill out remaining portions of "Literacy Study Eligibility Data Form" and provide to KU)	PS	Mandated by RSA	Provided to KU as soon as they are deemed eligible for study
8	Meet with consumer to describe study, briefly explain the necessary reading assessment battery (pre and post), answer questions, and elicit consumer's participation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OBTAIN SIGNED, INFORMED CONSENT FOR STUDY If consent is not given, inform KU as soon as possible 	VR Counselors & PS	Discussed as a team 7/22-23	10-30 minutes

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If consent is given, provide original signed consent to KU 			
9	Administer pre-test reading assessment battery (before participation in Wilson literacy class, Road to Success and/or other VR services) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants receive \$20 for completing the pre-test reading assessments 	KU	Contents of assessment battery determined by KU researchers	Approximately 2-2.5 hours
10	Control group begins regular VR services as determined by IPE (which can include Road to Success) <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> Intervention group begins the next session of the Wilson literacy classes and if applicable, Road to Success (RtS) and other VR services	VR Counselors KU PS	Intervention group must take Wilson classes – RtS optional for consumers in both groups	Variable, dependent upon consumer's needs
11	Administer post-test assessment battery and post-test CASAS to all study participants (control and intervention groups) approximately 6 months after pre-tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants receive \$50 for completing the post-test reading assessments 	KU	Mandated by RSA	Approximately 2.5-3 hours
12	Follow-along interviews and mailed surveys (every 6 months) during and after employment and VR case closure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants receive \$10 for each survey they complete and mail back Participants receive \$20 for each interview they complete 	KU	Part of proposed KU research design	On-going