

# **ARCH Network**

Here is the next newsletter! Please scroll down to see the information we have compiled from community groups, university clinics, outpatient centers, collaborative projects, and research programs for people with aphasia.

#### COMMUNITY GROUPS

| Name / affiliation               | Adler Aphasia Center   |
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| Location                         | First Presbyterian Church, 20 Kings Hwy E, Haddonfield, NJ 08033<br>(A virtual NJ group is also available and meets 2 Fridays a month).  |
| Contact<br>Information           | Gretchen Szabo<br>gszabo@adleraphasiacenter.org  |
| What is the cost?                | \$100 per 4 month semester. Scholarships available. First three meetings are free.   |
| What time and day do you meet?   | We meet two Tuesdays a month from 1:00 – 3:00 pm.  |
| What are the general activities? | Discussion on a variety of topics, education about stroke and aphasia, social events (holiday party, lunch at a restaurant).   |
| Can partners or caregivers join? | Care partners are welcome to attend the first session. After that we ask that<br>members with aphasia attend on their own. If the person with aphasia needs<br>physical assistance to use the restroom, we ask care partners to remain in the<br>building. |

| Name / affiliation                  | Capital Health Medical Center - Hopewell  |
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| Location                            | Currently meeting in person or via Zoom. When in person: One Capital Way,<br>Pennington, NJ 08534 3M Conference room  |
| Contact<br>Information              | Sandra Stein<br>sstein@capitalhealth.org  |
| What time and day do you meet?      | The group meets the second Tuesday of each month from 2:30-4:00 pm.   |
| What are the general activities?    | The group provides a place for individuals who have sustained aphasia or some<br>form of communication disorder from a neurological condition and their families<br>to meet others in similar situations. Participants have the opportunity to discuss<br>their experiences, share ideas, form friendships and provide emotional support<br>for one another. The group also offers education on subjects of interest to all<br>and an opportunity to receive resources and tools for coping with their situation. |
| Can partners or<br>caregivers join? | Yes   |

# COMMUNITY GROUPS

| Name / affiliation               | Just ASK   |
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| Location                         | Virtual group via Zoom   |
| Contact<br>Information           | Denise Lowell <u>President@justaskri.org</u> <u>www.justaskri.com</u>  |
| What time and day do you meet?   | We meet Monday evenings at 6:00 pm EST.  |
| What are the general activities? | We have game night, painting, conversation, as well as guest speakers from the aphasia community around the world.       |
| Can partners or caregivers join? | There is a monthly support group for "care partners" held on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm EST. |

| Name / affiliation               | Magee Rehabilitation   |
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| Location                         | Magee Riverfront, 1500 S. Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19147 |
| Contact<br>Information           | Sarah Lantz, 215-218-3909<br>sarah.lantz@jefferson.edu           |
| What time and day do you meet?   | The first Tuesday of every month from 1:00-2:00 pm.              |
| Can partners or caregivers join? | Yes  |

| Name / affiliation                  | MossRehab Aphasia Center  |
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| Location                            | 50 Township Line Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027  |
| Contact<br>Information              | Nikki Benson-Watlington, 215-663-6344, nxb328@jefferson.edu   |
| What is the cost?                   | Some programs are free, others have a nominal fee. Scholarships are available.  |
| What time and day do you meet?      | The Activity Center runs programs on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.<br>Times are variable, depending on members' chosen activities. Groups are<br>remote. |
| What are the general activities?    | Conversation Cafe, Talking Book Club, Reta's Games Group, Virtual Variety Hour,<br>Computer Lab, Education Programs   |
| Can partners or<br>caregivers join? | Members should be independent in activities of daily living or accompanied by a caregiver or co-survivor.   |

# COMMUNITY GROUPS

| Name / affiliation               | Philadelphia Aphasia Community at Temple (PACT)  |
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| Location                         | Temple University. 1701 N 13th Street, Philadelphia, PA  |
| Contact<br>Information           | Gayle DeDe, 215-204-2453<br>gayle.dede@temple.edu  |
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| What is the cost?                | Free   |
| What time and day do you meet?   | Combination of in person and remote activities. Groups are typically<br>Wednesdays 11:00-3:00 and Thursdays 10:30-2:30. We offer Second Saturday<br>group the Second Saturday of every month from 11-12 on zoom. |
| What are the general activities? | See https://sites.temple.edu/pact/. We offer different groups each semester, including conversation groups, art, music, advocacy and more. Wednesday groups are typically virtual and Thursdays are in person.   |
| Can partners or caregivers join? | Carepartners are welcome to Second Saturday Group. Other groups are for people with aphasia.   |

| Name / affiliation             | Speech-Language Institute (SLI) at Salus University   |
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| Location                       | Salus University  |
| Contact<br>Information         | Alison Finkelstein, 215-780-3150<br>afinkelstein@salus.edu  |
| What time and day do you meet? | Virtual Meetings are Hosted by the Speech-Language Institute of Salus<br>University. Book club is every other Friday from 10:00-11:00 am. |

# UNIVERSITY CLINICS

| Name  | La Salle University Speech Language Hearing Community Clinic                     |
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| Location  | St. Benilde Tower on La Salle University Campus; Free Parking Lot K Map provided |
| Contact Information   | Direct Number: 215-951-1888, Department Secretary: 215-951-1982                  |
| Do you provide remote<br>services for people with<br>aphasia? | Yes  |
| What is your clinic schedule?                                 | Fall, spring, partial summer semesters   |
| Is this student run or clinician run?                         | Graduate Clinicians are supervised by licensed SLP                               |
| What is the fee schedule?                                     | Free: No insurance or payment needed. Donations accepted.                        |
| Do you accept Medicare or<br>Medicaid?                        | No insurance needed.   |
| Is it all individual therapy or are there groups?             | There are both individual and group sessions.                                    |

| Name  | Salus University Clinic  |
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| Location  | Salus University   |
| Contact Information                                     | Eileen Hunsaker, <u>ehunsaker@salus.edu</u><br>Alison Finkelstein, <u>afinkelstein@salus.edu</u> |
| Do you provide remote services for people with aphasia? | Yes  |
| What is your clinic schedule?                           | Based on the semester  |
| Is this student run or clinician run?                   | Students under direct supervision of a clinician   |
| What is the fee schedule?                               | Free   |
| Do you accept Medicare or<br>Medicaid?                  | No insurance needed.   |
| Is it all individual therapy or are there groups?       | One support group per month, as well as weekly individual therapy                                |

# UNIVERSITY CLINICS

| Name  | Temple University Speech-Language-Hearing Center           |
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| Location  | Weiss Hall 110, 1701 N. 13th Street, Philadelphia PA 19122 |
| Contact Information   | Lisa Melvin, 215-204-4482, <u>lisa.melvin@temple.edu</u>   |
| Do you provide remote<br>services for people with<br>aphasia? | No   |
| What is your clinic schedule?                                 | Academic semester  |
| Is this student run or clinician run?                         | Student run with clinician supervision                     |
| What is the fee schedule?                                     | Free   |
| Do you accept Medicare or<br>Medicaid?                        | No insurance needed.                                       |
| Is it all individual therapy or are there groups?             | Both; groups are only via telehealth                       |

| Name  | University of Delaware Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic  |
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| Location  | 540 S. College Ave, Suite 102, Newark, DE 19713  |
| Contact Information   | Main Office Phone Number: 302-831-7100, Email: <u>slhclinic@udel.edu</u>                                     |
| Do you provide remote<br>services for people with<br>aphasia? | We provide services and life participation groups for people with aphasia remotely.                          |
| What is your clinic schedule?                                 | Our schedule is year round.  |
| Is this student run or clinician run?                         | Our sessions are run by ASHA certified SLPs and graduate students, working in tandem throughout the session. |
| What is the fee schedule?                                     | We accept most insurances, private pay, and we have a generous sliding fee schedule based on income.         |
| Do you accept Medicare or<br>Medicaid?                        | Yes, we accept both.   |
| Is it all individual therapy or are there groups?             | We offer both individual and group therapy year round.   |

# OUTPATIENT CENTERS

| Name   | Good Shepherd Penn Partners   |
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| Location   | Rittenhouse, University City, Pennsylvania Hospital   |
| Contact Information  | 215-349-5585 gspp.uncpatientservices@uphs.upenn.edu   |
| Do you provide remote<br>services for people with<br>aphasia?        | Yes (available at Rittenhouse and University City)  |
| Are you able to see people remotely right now?                       | Yes   |
| Do you provide teletherapy<br>in general?                            | Yes (depending on future insurance coverage of this benefit)                                |
| Is it all individual therapy or are there groups?                    | Individual (One-on-one for 60 minute sessions)  |
| What insurances do you<br>accept? How about<br>Medicare or Medicaid? | Most commercial insurance, Medicare/Medicare Advantage, Medicaid-<br>Except Health Partners |

#### CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

| Name                | Aphasia Resource Collaboration Hub (ARCH)   |
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| Date & Time         | Community meetings the first Wednesday of every third<br>month: March 6, 2024<br>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm EST   |
| Location            | Virtual over Zoom   |
| Contact Information | aphasiaresource@gmail.com   |
| What is it?         | <ul> <li>We host quarterly meetings to discuss the questions about aphasia.</li> <li>Zoom link: https://temple.zoom.us/j/98225630680</li> <li>March 6, 2024: Journal Discussion about ECoLoGiC-Tx, a new conversation-level treatment for people with aphasia.</li> <li>Presenter Details:</li> <li>Marion Leaman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, is an assistant professor in the Department of Hearing and Speech at KU Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas. She is also director of the Aphasia Language, Learning, Communication and Conversation (ALL-CAN-Converse) Laboratory. She conducts research focused on aphasia intervention to improve real-world, everyday conversation for people with aphasia and their families.</li> </ul> |

| Location of study  | Moss Rehabilitation Research Institute (MRRI)  |
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| Name of project  | MRRI Research Registry   |
| Main contact name,   | MRRI Research Registry Office  |
| telephone number,  | 215-663-7147   |
| and email address  | MRRIregistry@jefferson.edu   |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed)          | The MRRI Research Registry (the Registry) is a listing of individuals interested in<br>being contacted about MRRI-affiliated research studies for which they may be<br>eligible. MRRI currently sponsors multiple studies addressing the assessment and<br>treatment of aphasia and apraxia of speech secondary to stroke; many of these<br>aphasia-related studies recruit only from the Registry.  |
| Currently enrolling<br>participants?   | Yes.   |
| Summary of what participant will do  | Registry members have the opportunity to learn about research studies that may<br>be of interest to them. Participating is voluntary and offers the opportunity to<br>learn about research studies that may help improve rehabilitation services for<br>people with neurological disabilities. Participants are not obligated to participate<br>in any particular study and can say no at any time. Participants may have the<br>opportunity to work with researchers to study problems with speech, language,<br>attention, memory, movement, and emotional well-being and which treatments<br>work best. |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                                  | <ul> <li>Participants in the Registry may include individuals with a diagnosis of:</li> <li>stroke,</li> <li>traumatic brain injury,</li> <li>Parkinsonism, and other neurological impairments as well as neurologically-healthy individuals</li> </ul>  |
| Length of study  | The Research Registry was created in 2000 and is an ongoing project. The process to learn more about the Registry and complete the necessary paperwork, including informed consent, may take 1-2 hours.  |
| Compensation   | There is no compensation for participating in the Registry itself. Those who volunteer for individual studies may be compensated.  |
| Does other therapy<br>need to be<br>terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study? | No.  |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                                     | There is no travel required to join the Research Registry.   |
| Is remote testing<br>possible?   | Yes.   |

| Location of study   | Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania<br>3400 Spruce St.<br>Philadelphia, PA 19104   |
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| Name of project   | Transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) and Speech Therapy for Primary Progressive Aphasia   |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address              | Daniela Sacchetti, MS<br>danielas@pennmedicine.upenn.edu 215-573-8485<br>braintms@pennmedicine.upenn.edu 215-573-4336   |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed) | This is an NIH-funded, double-blind study with people with primary progressive<br>aphasia (PPA) to determine if tDCS combined with Constraint Induced Language<br>Therapy (CILT) is more effective than sham tDCS and CILT. Subjects have to have<br>PPA and no clinical or imaging evidence of a previous stroke. After an initial<br>evaluation, subjects are seen for 10 sessions of real (or sham) tDCS immediately<br>followed by 60-90 minutes of CILT. They are seen back at 6 and 12 weeks to<br>assess benefit. Thereafter, subjects cross over to receive sham (or real) tDCS.<br>Then, they are seen back again at 6 and 12 weeks to assess benefit. |
| Currently enrolling participants?   | Yes. Other therapy must be terminated in order to participate in this study.  |
| Summary of what participant will do                                       | Subjects will come to the lab for 3 sessions of behavioral testing followed by 10 sessions over 2 weeks of real (or sham) tDCS for 20 minutes followed by 60-90 minutes of CILT. They will return at 6 and 12 weeks after the treatment for follow-up and, if possible, get a repeat MRI brain scan at that time. They then cross over to receive sham (or real) tDCS and return at the same time intervals for follow-up and, if possible, a repeat MRI brain scan.  |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                         | <ul> <li>Inclusion: Ages 45-80; diagnosis of aphasia attributable to PPA with minimental state exam (MMSE) score 15 or higher; native English speaker.</li> <li>Exclusion: seizure in the past 6 months; history of stroke; history of psychiatric hospitalizations; pregnant or plans to become pregnant; current abuse of drugs or alcohol; metal implant in the body which would exclude MRI; use of sedating medications that would make it difficult for patient to participate.</li> </ul>  |
| Length of study   | Approximately 6-8 months from initial enrollment. There are approximately 43 visits with the majority of the visits concentrated in two 2-week periods.   |
| Compensation  | \$20.00 per hour for treatment and testing as well as reimbursement of up to \$50.00 for transportation costs per visit   |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                            | We reimburse for parking costs and can also provide transportation for<br>participants via RideHealth (limitations may apply based on pick-up/drop-off<br>location), which is a ride share service designed specifically for individuals<br>needing transportation to and from hospitals and/or rehabilitation centers.   |
| Is remote testing possible?   | Some of the testing can be remote but the tDCS and MRI scans require in-person visits.  |

| Location of study   | Penn Institute for Rehab Medicine<br>1800 Lombard St.<br>Philadelphia, PA 19146   |
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| Name of project   | Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) and Speech Therapy for Chronic Aphasia  |
| Main telephone<br>number and email<br>address                             | 215-573-4336<br>braintms@pennmedicine.upenn.edu   |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed) | This is an NIH-funded, double-blind study with people with aphasia (PWA) of at<br>least 6 months duration from stroke to determine if TMS combined with<br>Constraint Induced Language Therapy (CILT) is more effective than sham TMS<br>and CILT. Subjects have to have aphasia from a left hemisphere stroke and no<br>clinical or imaging evidence of a significant stroke in the right hemisphere. After<br>an initial evaluation, subjects are seen for 10 sessions of real or sham TMS<br>immediately followed by 60-90 minutes of CILT. They are seen back at 3 and 6<br>months to assess benefit. |
| Currently enrolling participants?   | Yes.  |
| Summary of what participant will do                                       | Subjects will come to the lab for 2 sessions of behavioral testing followed by 10 sessions over 2 weeks of real or sham TMS for 20 minutes followed by 60-90 minutes of CILT. They will return at 3 and 6 months after the treatment for follow-up and, if possible, get a repeat MRI brain at that time.   |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                         | <ul> <li>Inclusion: Ages 18-80; aphasia with WAB AQ score between 20 and 85 in the setting of a single left hemisphere stroke that occurred at least 6 months prior to enrollment; native English speaker</li> <li>Exclusion: had a seizure in the past 6 months; history of psychiatric hospitalizations; history of tinnitus; pregnant or plans to become pregnant; current abuse of drugs or alcohol</li> </ul>  |
| Subject inclusion criteria for controls                                   | Not Applicable  |
| Length of study   | Approximately 6-8 months from initial enrollment. There are approximately 22 visits with the majority of the visits concentrated in a two week period.  |
| Compensation  | \$15.00 per hour for treatment and testing as well as reimbursement of up to \$50.00 for transportation costs per visit   |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                            | We reimburse for parking costs and can also provide transportation for<br>participants via RideHealth (limitations may apply based on pick-up/drop-off<br>location), which is a ride share service designed specifically for individuals<br>needing transportation to and from hospitals and/or rehabilitation centers.   |
| Is remote testing possible?   | Some of the testing can be remote but the TMS and MRI scans require in-person visits.   |

| Location of study   | Penn Institute for Rehab Medicine<br>1800 Lombard St.<br>Philadelphia, PA 19146  |
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| Name of project   | Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) and Speech Therapy for Alzheimer's Disease   |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address              | Daniela Sacchetti<br>215-573-8485<br>danielas@pennmedicine.upenn.edu   |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed) | This is an NIH-funded, double-blind study with people with Alzheimer's Disease<br>to determine if TMS combined with Constraint Induced Language Therapy (CILT)<br>is more effective than sham TMS and CILT. Subjects have to have a diagnosis of<br>Alzheimer's Disease and no clinical or imaging evidence of a previous significant<br>stroke. After an initial evaluation, subjects are seen for 10 sessions of real or<br>sham TMS immediately followed by 60-90 minutes of CILT. They are seen back at<br>6 and 12 weeks to assess benefit. |
| Currently enrolling participants?   | Yes.   |
| Summary of what participant will do                                       | Subjects will come to the lab for 2 sessions of behavioral testing followed by 10 sessions over 2 weeks of real or sham TMS for 30 minutes followed by 60-90 minutes of CILT. They will return at 6 and 12 weeks after the treatment for follow-up and, if possible, get a repeat MRI brain scan at that time.   |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                         | Inclusion: Ages 50-85; diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease with minimental state<br>exam (MMSE) score between 15 and 23; native English speaker; right-handed.<br>Exclusion: had a seizure in the past 6 months; history of stroke; history of<br>psychiatric hospitalizations; diagnosis of tinnitus; pregnant or plans to become<br>pregnant; current abuse of drugs or alcohol.  |
| Subject inclusion criteria for controls                                   | Not Applicable   |
| Length of study   | Approximately 5-7 months from initial enrollment. There are approximately 22 visits with the majority of the visits concentrated in a two week period.   |
| Compensation  | \$15.00 per hour for treatment and testing as well as reimbursement of up to \$50.00 for transportation costs per visit.   |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                            | We reimburse for parking costs and can also provide transportation for<br>participants via RideHealth (limitations may apply based on pick-up/drop-off<br>location), which is a ride share service designed specifically for individuals<br>needing transportation to and from hospitals and/or rehabilitation centers.  |
| Is remote testing possible?   | Some of the testing can be remote but the TMS and MRI scans require in-person visits.  |

| Location of study  | Temple University – Speech, Language and Brain Lab<br>Weiss Hall, 1701 N. 13th Street<br>Philadelphia, PA 19122  |
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| Name of project  | Speech Planning and Production across the Lifespan.  |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address                       | Edwin Maas<br>215-204-1148<br><u>slablab@temple.edu</u>  |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed)          | The purpose of this research is to understand the processes involved in speech production in individuals with and without speech disorders, with the goal of developing new or improving existing diagnostic methods.  |
| Currently enrolling participants?  | No   |
| Summary of what participant will do  | Participants will be asked to complete standardized and non-standardized testing, and complete a variety of experimental tasks, including naming pictures or reading words on a computer screen as fast as possible, and listening to words and nonwords to determine if they match a picture. |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                                  | 1. 18 years or older. 2. Monolingual English speaker. 3. No history of speech,<br>language, or learning disabilities prior to onset of aphasia or apraxia of speech. 4.<br>Normal or corrected hearing and vision. 5. Diagnosis of apraxia of speech and/or<br>aphasia.                        |
| Subject inclusion criteria for controls  | 1. 18 years or older. 2. Monolingual English speaker. 3. No history of speech,<br>language, or learning disabilities. 4. Normal or corrected hearing and vision.   |
| Length of study  | Up to 6 sessions or about 1 hour each.   |
| Compensation   | Yes  |
| Does other therapy<br>need to be<br>terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study? | No   |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                                     | Parking lot next to building, and street parking may be available as well. Close to subway and there is a bus stop in front of the building.   |
| Is remote testing possible?  | No   |

| Location of study  | <b>Temple University – Speech Perception and Cognition Lab</b><br>Weiss Hall, Room 145, 1701 N. 13th Street<br>Philadelphia, PA 19122   |
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| Name of project  | Perceiving and Understanding Speech in Background Noise.  |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address                       | Jing Shen<br>215-204-1478<br><u>spaclab@temple.edu</u>  |
| Description of study   | The Temple University Speech Perception and Cognition (SPAC) lab is inviting participants for a research study on how individuals perceive and understand speech in background noise. |
| Currently enrolling participants?  | Yes   |
| Summary of what participant will do  | The study involves tests of cognition and speech perception, during which your eyes will be monitored by a camera, and a free hearing test to determine if you qualify for the study. |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                                  | You may be eligible if you are aged 60-85 years old, speak English as your native language, and have normal or correct-to-normal vision.  |
| Length of study  | The study takes 1-8 visits of 1-2 hours. We will schedule the visit at a time convenient for you.   |
| Compensation   | Yes; \$10 per hour and \$5 for travel expenses per visit with an extra completion bonus of \$20 for completing all study visits.  |
| Does other therapy<br>need to be<br>terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study? | No  |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                                     | Parking lot next to building, and street parking may be available as well. Close to subway and there is a bus stop in front of the building.  |
| Is remote testing possible?  | No  |

| Location of study  | University of Delaware<br>The Tower at STAR- 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, 100 Discovery Blvd<br>Newark, DE 19713   |
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| Name of project  | Validation of the Modified University of Washington Resilience Scale for People<br>with Aphasia<br>Click Here for Participation Form:<br>https://redcap.chs.udel.edu/surveys/?s=DECW9PJA9R                                   |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address                       | Patrycja Puzio, MA, CCC-SLP<br>(302)-273-0488<br><u>Aphasialab@udel.edu</u>  |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed)          | We are testing a modified resilience testing scale and exploring how those<br>results will help us understand coping with stress and measure resilience in<br>people who were diagnosed with aphasia and treatment outcomes. |
| Currently enrolling participants?  | Yes  |
| Summary of what participant will do  | The participants will complete a brief language test and several questionnaires about coping, stress, life participation, and overall well-being.  |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                                  | Participants who have experienced a stroke at least six months ago and have a diagnosis of aphasia. Participants' primary language must be English. Ages 21+. At a minimum have a high school education.                     |
| Length of study  | In-person: 1 session, 1.5-2 hours.<br>Remote: 2-3 sessions, each 30-45 minutes.  |
| Compensation   | None   |
| Does other therapy<br>need to be<br>terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study? | No   |
| Parking or public<br>transportation<br>options                                     | Parking: lot directly in front of entrance for Tower at STAR building (south end<br>of STAR campus). Park in a visitor spot. Two more parking lots around the STAR<br>campus on 540 S. College Ave.                          |
| Is remote testing possible?  | Yes, remote testing is available. Must have a computer or tablet.  |

| Location of study  | Penn State University via Zoom   |
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| Name of project  | Does bilingualism lead to verbal and nonverbal cognitive reserve in adults with aphasia?   |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address                       | Dr. Chaleece Sandberg<br>cws18@psu.edu   |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed)          | Researchers at Penn State are currently recruiting people with and without<br>aphasia to participate in research aimed at looking at the effects of bilingualism<br>on language and cognition to inform treatment practices for people with<br>aphasia.  |
| Currently enrolling participants?  | Yes – we are in particular need of people with and without aphasia who are Spanish-English bilingual   |
| Summary of what participant will do  | If you choose to participate, you will be asked to complete language tests and simple tasks on the computer. All sessions will take place over Zoom.   |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                                  | <ol> <li>Diagnosis of aphasia</li> <li>English speaker OR English/Spanish speaker</li> <li>Normal or corrected-to-normal vision and hearing</li> <li>Medically stable at the time of the participation</li> </ol>  |
| Subject inclusion criteria for controls  | <ol> <li>English speaker OR English/Spanish speaker</li> <li>Normal or corrected-to-normal vision and hearing</li> </ol>   |
| Length of study  | For English only speakers, you will be asked to participate in 2, 2-hour long sessions and 1, 1-hour long session. Your total time commitment should not exceed 5 hours. For English/Spanish speakers, you will be asked to participate in 3, 2-hour long sessions and 1, 1-hour long session. Your total time commitment should not exceed 7 hours. |
| Compensation   | You will be compensated \$10/hour for your participation in Amazon gift cards.   |
| Does other therapy<br>need to be<br>terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study? | No   |
| Is remote testing possible?  | Yes, everything will be remotely conducted over Zoom.  |

| Location of Study   | Pittsburgh, PA: VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System   |
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| Name of Project   | Intensive Semantic Feature Analysis Treatment for Aphasia   |
| Main contact<br>name, telephone<br>number, and<br>email address   | Alyssa Autenreith<br>(412) 360-6495<br>alyssa.autenreith@va.gov   |
| Description of study  | This study is comparing two different versions of Semantic Feature Analysis (SFA),<br>an evidence-based treatment for word-finding difficulties in people with aphasia.<br>Each participant is randomized to receive only one version of SFA. If participants<br>are eligible, there are also brain imaging (MRI + fMRI) and eye tracking arms of<br>the study. For more information see:<br><u>https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT04215952</u>   |
| Currently<br>enrolling<br>participants  | Yes, until April 2024   |
| Summary of<br>what participant<br>will do   | Participants will receive 3-4 hours of SFA treatment a day for 15 consecutive weekdays (weekends excluded). Prior to treatment there are two baseline testing sessions, and then the same testing is completed immediately after treatment and 2-3 months later.  |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants   | <ul> <li>6 months post-onset of aphasia</li> <li>Only left-hemisphere stroke (no right-hemisphere damage)</li> <li>No history of traumatic brain injury (TBI)</li> <li>Independent in activities of daily living (ADLs) or available caregiver to assist with living in community-based housing</li> <li>Medically stable (e.g., no uncontrolled seizures, difficulty breathing, or frequent migraines)</li> <li>Able to tolerate intensive treatment schedule</li> <li>English as primary language</li> <li>Ability to follow treatment protocol as demonstrated during screening procedures</li> <li>Sufficient difficulty with naming</li> </ul> |
| Length of study   | ~5 weeks during the treatment phase; 2 days for follow-up testing   |
| Compensation  | Reimbursement for travel and lodging; please contact for further details regarding other compensation.  |
| Does other<br>therapy need to<br>be terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study?<br>Parking or public | Yes – no 1:1 speech therapy from the start of treatment until follow-up visit<br>Shuttle service provided to and from lodging each day  |
| transportation<br>options   |   |
| Is remote testing possible?   | In-person participation preferred, but other arrangements may be possible   |

| Location of study  | Purdue University  |
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| Name of project  | Multiple ongoing studies including an aphasia training study   |
| Main contact name,<br>telephone number,<br>and email address                       | Dr. Jiyeon Lee at the Purdue Aphasia Lab<br>765-496-0216<br><u>aphasia@purdue.edu</u>  |
| Description of study<br>(with type / severity<br>of aphasia if<br>needed)          | The Purdue Aphasia Lab has several ongoing research opportunities including a NIH-funded clinical training study. Our lab studies communication difficulties in persons with aphasia and how to improve their communication abilities using a variety of tasks such as eye-tracking while listening and speaking, reading studies, and language training studies. We aim to develop novel aphasia interventions to improve sentence production and comprehension in people with aphasia. |
| Currently enrolling participants?  | Yes. Studies can take place at West Lafayette campus, Indianapolis Satellite lab, and remotely at the participant's house.   |
| Summary of what participant will do  | Participants will complete a comprehensive language evaluation to determine eligibility for our current projects. If eligible, participants can participate up to 8 sessions depending on the study. Each session will last about 2 hours.   |
| Subject inclusion<br>criteria for<br>participants                                  | Inclusion: Ages 21-85 with diagnosis of aphasia following left hemisphere<br>stroke, native speaker of English.<br>Exclusionary: History of other neurological conditions affecting communication<br>(ex: dementia, Parkinson's disease, etc.), uncontrolled clinical depression,<br>current abuse of drugs or alcohol.  |
| Subject inclusion criteria for controls  | NA   |
| Length of study  | Dependent on study. 6-10 sessions in length. Each session last about 2 hours.  |
| Compensation   | \$20 per session including language testing sessions.  |
| Parking  | Easily accessible, garage parking attached to our building is free.  |
| Does other therapy<br>need to be<br>terminated to<br>participate in this<br>study? | Dependent on study.  |
| Is remote testing possible?  | Remote & hybrid testing options are available. If remote, participants must<br>have access to computer (or laptop) with front facing camera and a stable<br>internet connection (no Hotspot).  |