

<p>PROGRAM REVIEW</p>	<p>The IACUC must review and evaluate the research facility’s program for humane care and use of animals at least once every 6 months. [2.31, Policy #29]</p>
<p>Method</p>	<p>The IACUC is responsible for determining the best method for conducting the review of the humane care and use program. [2.31(c)(3)]</p> <p>The IACUC may: [2.31(c)(3)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • conduct a full committee review • appoint a subcommittee of at least two members to conduct the review. Note: NO IACUC member wishing to participate in the review may be excluded. • may invite an <i>ad hoc</i> consultant(s) to assist with the program review <p>The IACUC may adopt the AAALAC International Program Assessment report as its semi-annual program review if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the report complies with Section 2.31(c) • at least 2 members of the IACUC participated in the evaluation • no IACUC member wishing to participate was excluded • the report was signed by a majority of IACUC members • the report included any minority views
<p>Criteria</p>	<p>The review of the program of humane care and use must be based on the AWA regulations and standards (title 9, chapter I, subchapter A - Animal Welfare). [2.31(c)(1), Policy #29]</p> <p>Additional resources which may be used include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals” published by the Institute of Laboratory Animal Resources, 1996 Edition • “Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Agricultural Research and Teaching” published by the Federation of Animal Science Societies, 1999 Edition

Areas which should be addressed in the program of humane care and use include, but are not limited to:

- IACUC functions, such as:
 - ▶ required meetings
 - ▶ attendance at meetings, especially non-affiliated member
 - ▶ dissemination of protocols to members
 - ▶ review of humane care and use program
 - ▶ review of standard operating procedures (SOPs)
 - ▶ protocol review
 - ▶ suspended activities
 - ▶ complaint review
 - ▶ recommendations to the Institutional Official
 - ▶ reports to the Institutional Official
 - ▶ IACUC meeting minutes
 - ▶ IACUC records
- IACUC-approved departures/exceptions/exemptions, such as:
 - ▶ food/water deprivation or restriction
 - ▶ exemptions from the exercise plan for dogs
 - ▶ exemptions from the environmental enhancement plan for nonhuman primates
 - ▶ use of an animal in more than one major survival surgery
 - ▶ maintaining animals at temperatures or humidities outside the ranges specified by the standards
 - ▶ exceptions to the cleaning or sanitation requirements
 - ▶ exceptions to the diurnal lighting cycle requirement
 - ▶ exceptions to the space requirement (including innovative enclosures and metabolism cages)
- animal care, such as:
 - ▶ housing
 - ▶ environment
 - ▶ environmental enrichment for nonhuman primates
 - ▶ exercise for dogs
 - ▶ food/water
 - ▶ cleaning/sanitation

- veterinary care, such as:
 - ▶ emergency, weekend, and holiday care
 - ▶ anesthesia and surgery
 - ▶ pre/post-procedural care
 - ▶ pain/distress management
 - ▶ euthanasia
- identification
- records
- personnel issues, such as:
 - ▶ qualifications
 - ▶ training

The findings of the program review must be included in a report to the Institutional Official. [2.31(c)(3)]