Which personnel are required to be trained? Does that include volunteers, principal investigators, food vendors at zoos etc.?

All personnel involved in implementing your contingency planned should be trained. Facilities should be able to provide dates of training to inspectors when requested.

Does a complete retraining need to happen if a new person is added to the plan?

Retraining is only required if there are substantive changes after the annual review. It would be left to the discretion of the facility whether changing a responsible party on a plan is considered a substantive change.

How long does a licensee/registrant maintain records of training?

Training records are not required.

If a facility put a plan in place in Sept 2021 and did their required training at that time, does training need to re-occur once July 5, 2022 rolls around or are they in compliance already?

Training must be completed 60 days after the plan is put into place. If a facility put a plan in place in Sept 2021 and trained at that time, they would be in compliance as of July 5 and no further action needed until their annual review.

Does the IACUC have to review the plan semi-annually or annually?

Animal Care’s only requirement is that the contingency plan is reviewed at least annually. The facility may delegate the review to the IACUC who then may identify the frequency of review, but no less than annually.