



Standard Administrative Policy and Procedure

Subject: Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

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I. RATIONALE

As required by the Health Research Extension Act (HREA) of 1985 and the Animal Welfare Act (AWA), the University of Wyoming shall appoint an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), whose responsibilities are delineated by federal law and policy.

II. FUNCTIONS

The IACUC is responsible for overseeing the care and well-being of animals used in research and for educational purposes at the University of Wyoming. The Committee serves the public by ensuring compliance with all legal and ethical standards regarding the use of vertebrate animals in research and teaching at the University. The IACUC shall function in accordance with the IACUC Policies and Procedures Manual and shall meet once monthly or more frequently as needed.

III. COMPOSITION

The Vice President for Research and Economic Development shall oversee and appoint all members to serve on the IACUC. The composition of the IACUC is governed by the Public Health Service Policy on the Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and shall consist of, at a minimum, a Veterinarian, nonaffiliated member, scientist, and nonscientist. The Associate Vice President for Research and the Veterinary Officer shall serve as *ex officio* members of the IACUC. A designee from the Office of Research and Economic Development shall provide technical support.

Responsible Division/Unit: Office of Research and Economic Development

Source: HREA and AWA

Links: <http://www.uwyo.edu/regs-policies>; <http://www.uwyo.edu/research/compliance/animal-care/index.html>

Associated Regulations, Policies, and Forms: <http://www.uwyo.edu/research/compliance/animal-care/index.html>

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