



## Inspection Report

Guardian Centers of Georgia, LLC  
600 Perry Parkway  
Perry, GA 31069

Customer ID: **601690**

Certificate: **67-R-0003**

Site: 001

Guardian Centers of Georgia, LLC

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 09-JUL-2025

### 2.31(b)(3)(ii)

#### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

Between November 2022 and July 2025, the IACUC held 3 meetings. An unaffiliated member was not present for two of those meetings. In addition, an unaffiliated member was not involved in any of the semi-annual facility inspections and program reviews conducted during that time. The lack of participation of an unaffiliated IACUC member in IACUC meetings and semi-annuals means that there is a lack of general community interest being represented on the committee regarding proper care and treatment of animals at the facility. The IACUC, when conducting business required under the Animal Welfare Act, shall include at least one member unaffiliated with the facility. Correct by August 16, 2025.

### 2.31(c)(3)

#### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The 2023, 2024 and 2025 semi-annual facility inspections and program reviews were conducted by 2 IACUC members. However, the other IACUC members were not given the opportunity to participate nor were they involved in the review. In addition, the reports to the IO were missing the following required aspects:

- The signatures of the majority of the IACUC members.
- A description of the nature and extent of the facility's adherence to the Animal Welfare Act.
- Any minority views or a statement that there were no minority views.

It is the responsibility of the IACUC as a whole to evaluate the research facility and to determine the best means of conducting the reviews. The semi-annual evaluation report to the IO is an important document that updates the IO on the status of the facility's animal care and use program and allows the IO to know when to intervene to ensure that the facility meets the federal guidelines. The semi-annual evaluation report needs to be reviewed and signed by a majority of the IACUC members and needs to include any minority views. The reports must contain a description of the nature and extent of the facility's adherence to the Animal Welfare Act. If there are any departures, they must be stated along with the reasons for the departure, the significance of the deficiency (significant or minor), a reasonable and specific plan for correcting the deficiency and a correct by date. Correct by August 16, 2025.

### 2.38(l)(2)

#### Miscellaneous.

At the time of inspection, there was no written documentation that an annual review was completed of the contingency plan since its creation in September 2022. Annual reviews of the contingency plan help ensure that identified emergency

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situations and measures are adequately addressed for the humane handling, treatment, transportation, housing and care of animals in the event of an emergency. The plan must be reviewed and documented by the research facility on at least an annual basis to ensure it adequately addresses the regulatory requirements of contingency planning. Correct by October 16, 2025.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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### Species Inspected

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