



Inspection Report

TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE
VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY DEPT
7900 HWY 76, PO BOX 587
PENDLETON, SC 29670

Customer ID: **902**
Certificate: **56-R-0004**
Site: 001
HALBERT HALL

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 20-NOV-2023

2.31(c)(3)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The IACUC did not prepare a letter to the Institutional Official regarding the facility's program and inspection reviews that took place in September 2023. The letter was addressed to the college president instead of the Institutional Official (IO). In addition, the letter on-hand did not describe the extent to which the research facility's program review adhered to regulations set forth in this subchapter.

Reports completed by the IACUC keep the Institutional Official informed and up-to-date regarding the current standing of the facility's facilities, animal program, and compliance status. The facility must ensure the IACUC must prepare complete reports of their evaluations that a majority of members must sign, and submit the reports to the Institutional Official. Correct by March 28, 2024.

2.31(d)(4)

Repeat

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The facility has not followed through with the issuance of a written notification to the principal investigator (PI) and facility regarding the two active Animal Use Protocols in use for regulated species. During this inspection, the facility representative (an IACUC member) stated the written notification had not been issued due to oversight by the IACUC while they were working on reestablishing roles.

Written notifications of IACUC approvals to the PIs for activities involving animals ensures the final approval status of the protocols have been clearly communicated for the proposed activities. This serves as a required oversight IACUC function to uphold compliance of its facility's animal care and use.

2.35(a)(1)

Recordkeeping requirements.

The IACUC minutes did not include all activities completed by the Committee during the September 2023 meeting. Upon inspection, the facility representative stated the semi-annual program and annual contingency plan reviews took place during the IACUC meeting, but neither of these action items were notated in the minutes. Complete and accurate documentation fulfills recordkeeping requirements and demonstrates functionality of the IACUC as a whole. A research facility shall maintain minutes of IACUC meetings that include records of attendance, activities of the Committee, and Committee deliberations.

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2.134(b)

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Contingency planning.

The facility did not maintain documentation for their contingency plan's annual review. While the facility representative stated the review has been completed since the last inspection, the facility has not updated any records to reflect when the review took place. Documenting the date in which the outlined plan has been reviewed or amended certifies the facility has assessed the current plan for any needed changes to better prepare for unexpected disasters or events, as well as a detailed strategy to address instructions for, but not limited to: animal evacuation, sheltering-in-place, and backup provisions for husbandry and food/watering supplies, sanitation, and ventilation. The facility shall develop and document an appropriate contingency plan available for review upon USDA inspections.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representative.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
902	56-R-0004	001	HALBERT HALL	20-NOV-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
000002	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000003	Total	