



## Inspection Report

Weston Educational Inc.  
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Denver, CO 80212

Customer ID: **329636**  
Certificate: **84-R-0085**  
Site: 003  
Weston Educational Inc.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 26-MAY-2016

### 2.31(c)(1)

#### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The facility's last program review was conducted on 23 May 2016, and the one prior to that was conducted on 15 July 2015. The facility is not conducting the program reviews every six months as required. In order to ensure that the animals used by the facility are used in a humane manner, and are cared for appropriately, the IACUC must conduct program reviews at least every six months. The facility must ensure that all future program reviews are conducted at least every six months.

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To be corrected from this point forward.

### 2.31(c)(2)

#### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The facility's last animal facility inspection was conducted on 23 May 2016, and the one prior to that was conducted on 15 July 2015. The facility is not conducting the animal facility inspections every six months as required. In order to ensure that the animal facilities are maintained as required by the Animal Welfare Act, the IACUC must conduct animal facility inspections at least every six months. The facility must ensure that all future animal facility inspections are conducted at least every six months.

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To be corrected from this point forward.

### 2.31(d)(8)

#### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

Inspectors reviewed the anesthesia and sedation protocol and associated surgical records including spay, neuter and dental procedure records. According to the protocol, animals will receive continual monitoring while under anesthesia. However, at least five procedures were performed without any associated anesthetic monitoring records. Also, the protocol states that the animals will receive a sedative of diazepam and acepromazine prior to induction of anesthesia. The anesthesia records and medical records do not have any recorded sedation medications, and only record the induction medications of ketamine and xylazine. The protocol also states that animals will be given a post-operative dose of meloxicam; however, the anesthesia and medical records do not

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include any dosing information for this medication. Continuing review of animal activities is necessary to ensure that they are conducted as

stated in the approved protocol, and is required in order to ensure that all activities are conducted in compliance with the Animal Welfare Act regulations. The IACUC must conduct continuing review of activities in order to ensure that all animal activities are conducted as stated in the approved protocols and in compliance with these regulations.

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To be corrected by 30 July 2016.

### 2.32(a)

#### PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS.

Inspectors requested documentation of training of personnel involved in animal care, treatment and use, as well as IACUC members training documentation. The facility was unable to provide documentation of appropriate training as required by the Animal Welfare Act. In order to ensure that personnel are appropriately trained and qualified to perform their duties, facilities must be able to provide documentation of training in the following areas for personnel involved in the use, care and treatment of animals:

(1) Humane methods of animal maintenance and experimentation, including:

- (i) The basic needs of each species of animal;
- (ii) Proper handling and care for the various species of animals used by the facility;
- (iii) Proper pre-procedural and post-procedural care of animals; and
- (iv) Aseptic surgical methods and procedures;

(2) The concept, availability, and use of research or testing methods that limit the use of animals or minimize animal distress;

(3) Proper use of anesthetics, analgesics, and tranquilizers for any species of animals used by the facility;

(4) Methods whereby deficiencies in animal care and treatment are reported, including deficiencies in animal care and treatment reported by any employee of the facility. No facility employee, Committee member, or laboratory personnel shall be discriminated against or be subject to any reprisal for reporting violations of any regulation or standards under the Act;

(5) Utilization of services (e.g., National Agricultural Library, National Library of Medicine) available to provide information:

- (i) On appropriate methods of animal care and use;
- (ii) On alternatives to the use of live animals in research;
- (iii) That could prevent unintended and unnecessary duplication of research involving animals; and
- (iv) Regarding the intent and requirements of the Act.

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### 2.33(b)(2)

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

Inspectors observed two bottles of expired medications. One bottle of Dopram expired in August 2015, and one bottle of Alcohol expired in September 2015. Inspectors also observed a transfer bottle of Chlorhexidine and a transfer bottle of Novlasan, neither of which were marked with expiration dates from the stock solution bottles. Expired medications may not work as expected, may be contaminated, and could harm the animals if used. The facility must not use the aforementioned products, and must develop and implement a program to monitor medication expiration dates in order to ensure that expired medications are not used in or on the animals.

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The facility corrected this item during the inspection process.

### 2.35(b)

#### RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS.

The facility was unable to provide inspectors with the required records pertaining to dog/cat ownership and identification as outlined in the Animal Welfare Act for dogs/cats owned by instructors and other facility personnel. In order to ensure that animals usage can be traced accurately, the facility is required to maintain records which fully disclose the following information on each dog or cat used by the facility:

- (1) The name and address of the person from whom a dog or cat was purchased or otherwise acquired, whether or not the person is required to be licensed or registered under the Act;
- (2) The USDA license or registration number of the person if he or she is licensed or registered under the Act;
- (3) The vehicle license number and State, and the driver's license number (or photographic identification card for nondrivers issued by a State) and State of the person, if he or she is not licensed or registered under the Act;
- (4) The date of acquisition of each dog or cat;
- (5) The official USDA tag number or tattoo assigned to each dog or cat under Sec. 2.38(g) of this subpart;
- (6) A description of each dog or cat which shall include:
  - (i) The species and breed or type of animal;
  - (ii) The sex;
  - (iii) The date of birth or approximate age; and
  - (iv) The color and any distinctive markings;
- (7) Any identification number or mark assigned to each dog or cat by the research facility;
- (8) If dogs or cats are acquired from any person not licensed or registered under the Act and not a pound or shelter, the research facility must obtain a certification that the animals were born and raised on the person's premises and that the person has sold fewer than 25 dogs and/or cats that year.

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Inspection was conducted on 26-May-2016 with Drs. Natalie Cooper and Debbie Cunningham, and facility representatives. An exit interview was conducted on 2-June-2016 with Dr. Natalie Cooper and facility representatives.

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## Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
329636	84-R-0085	003	Weston Educational Inc.	26-MAY-16

No Animals were Inspected.

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
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