



Inspection Report

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
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Customer ID: 276
Certificate: 54-R-0001
Site: 002
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 21-JUL-2021

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Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

During the spring 2021 semi-annual reviews, the IACUC discovered regulated activities, at an off-campus site, that were not included in an active protocol. Since 2016, the facility has provided an agricultural training program for special forces medics which covers a variety of general animal husbandry procedures. The IACUC believed that this training program was covered by an existing agricultural protocol, however, during their investigation, they discovered that additional medical procedures that were not covered by the protocol were being performed. It was discovered that the trainings involved epidural demonstrations with cattle and blood collection for cattle and swine which were not medically necessary for the animals' health.

In order to provide appropriate oversight of the research programs and facilities, the IACUC must review proposed activities to ensure that the care and use of animals is being performed as documented. Performing activities not reviewed or approved by the IACUC can lead to unidentified painful and distressing situations for the animals.

Upon discovery, the program was immediately halted, a new protocol was drafted specifically for the training, and the IACUC representatives notified the APHIS inspector.

Correct by July 27, 2021.

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Facilities, general.

Within the facility's IACUC records, it was noted that on various occasions sheep's hooves have gotten caught between the slats in the holding pen flooring. These incidents have resulted in transient lameness, but have not required additional medical care.

Failure to use appropriate materials for animal housing can result in possible entrapment and injury to the animals. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved to protect them from injury.

The facility took immediate corrective actions to address the incident and replaced the slatted flooring in the sleep enclosures. The facility has not had any known cases of foot injuries related to the flooring since implementing this change.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000021	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000003	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000024	Total	