



## **Policy on IACUC Training for Lab Personnel**

**Effective: 7/1/08**

### **Purpose:**

The following policy balances the need for students and post doctoral fellows to receive training in correct procedures for humane handling of laboratory animals, with the reality that not all laboratories use animals or have active IACUC protocols.

### **Policy:**

All permanent members of a laboratory with active IACUC protocol(s) are required to receive IACUC training. Permanent members of laboratories without active IACUC protocols do not need to receive training.

New first year graduate students are strongly encouraged to receive training, and must receive training before becoming a permanent member of a laboratory with an active protocol(s). If a first year graduate or summer student who has not received training and works in a laboratory with an active animal protocol(s), they are not allowed to perform or take part in any experiments with animals. Receiving training allows them to perform said animal experiments.

In addition, the PI must petition the IACUC committee with a request to revise their current active protocol(s) to include all new laboratory personnel (i.e. Post Doctoral Fellow, graduate student, or summer student) prior to them being permitted to perform or take part in any animal experiments.