



**University Committee on Animal Care**

## **Policy on UCAC Approval of Changes in Personnel Involved in Animal Activities**

PHS Policy and USDA regulations require the UCAC to "review and approve, require modifications in (to secure approval) or withhold approval of proposed significant changes regarding the use of animals in ongoing activities."

Changes in personnel, other than the Principal Investigator, are classified as a "minor" change. As such the UCAC hereby authorizes the Attending Veterinarian to function as a designated reviewer for personnel changes. The Attending Veterinarian will ensure that all such personnel are appropriately identified, adequately trained and qualified, enrolled in applicable occupational health and safety programs, and meet other criteria as required by the UCAC.

The UCAC remains responsible for confirming that all UCAC review criteria regarding personnel training and qualifications are maintained and documented.

This policy is intended to provide substantial reduction of burden on the UCAC and research teams without diminishing the crucial oversight of personnel training and qualifications.

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