

ANIMAL WELFARE PROGRAM NEWS

Late Fall 2024

UPCOMING INSPECTIONS

1/27/2025 – 1/31/2025
UAC & Farm Locations

Please make sure your vivarium spaces are inspection ready and your records are up to date! If you need assistance in disposing of expired items, reach out to RLSS, or be sure to properly label.



Happy Holidays!

UNIVERSITY CLOSURE

The Animal Welfare Program will be closed for University Closure from 12/24/24 – 1/1/24, with minimal staffing on 12/23 and 1/2 – 1/3. Please keep this in mind when planning your submissions.

New submissions made between now and closure will not be approved prior to closure. Submissions already underway will continue in the process, however no routing or approvals will occur during University closure.

BUPRENORPHINE AVAILABILITY

We are aware of the supply issues for animal formulae of buprenorphine-based drugs. We've made updates to the buprenorphine drugs listed in Cayuse and are happy to assist in making updates to your protocol veterinary drug list. Do not hesitate to reach out to UAC veterinary team for assistance in determining the best option for your research.

PI DEPARTURES FROM THE UNIVERSITY

Please keep the AWP in mind when you are planning on moving on from the University. Be sure to have an exit or continuation plan for your animals, and if your protocol is continuing, a new PI lined up to take over. PIs must meet RII PI eligibility requirements to be a PI. Please reach out to our office if you would like to close your protocol and we would be happy to assist.

IACUC REVIEW FEES FOR EXTERNAL FUNDING

Fall saw new IACUC review fees go into effect for externally funded protocols. Information is available in IACUC Guidance I-IC-GU-120 Review Fee for External Funding, available on our website.

SATELLITE HOUSING

Updated agreements for satellite housing went into effect. The new agreements require signatures from the department chair or above, prior to review and approval. Satellite housing documents also now include an emergency plan, in addition to the MUA and Housing SOP.

The IACUC will be responsible for approving satellite housing and will look at scientific justification for requests to house outside the vivariums. The AWP office will be happy to assist in processing requests for satellite housing and will provide

the documents necessary for approval. Satellite housing documents need to be reviewed and renewed during the de novo renewal process.

CITI TRAINING REFRESHER

CITI refresher training is now required during de novo renewal of any protocol. One person on the protocol will need to take the refresher training on CITI, “Working with the IACUC – Refresher,” before approval. The AWP staff will assist in assigning and verifying training.

ANIMAL WELFARE PROGRAM OFFICE HOURS

We have office hours available to drop in and ask questions and get assistance! Find us in person at 1:30 – 3:30 PM in the Medical Research Building room 108, the first Monday each month (except holidays), or online via Zoom at 10:00 – 11:00 AM, the second and fourth Thursday each month. We are also available by appointment any time.

Or, set an appointment to meet with one of us [here](#).

IACUC APPROVAL AND STARTING RESEARCH

A reminder that IACUC approval does not necessarily mean you are ready to begin research. Other university stakeholders, including but not limited to, Research and Laboratory Safety Services (RLSS), Office of Responsible Outside Interests (OROI), Export Control, Sponsored Projects (SPS), and your own department, may have additional requirements before you are ready to begin research. We may also experience delays in adding funding while we navigate updates to state and federal funding regulations.

Additional information on research support is available at: <https://research.arizona.edu/research-support>.



CONTACT US

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AWP Open Office Hours:

In Person: 1st Monday of the Month, 1:30 – 3:30pm at the Medical Research Building (MRB) Rm 108

Via Zoom: Every 2nd and 4th Thursday, 10:00 – 11:00am (Link on website)

Or by appointment

