Scope:

The following guidelines are provided to ensure that all individuals working with live vertebrate animals in teaching, research, and testing are in compliance with WSU IACUC policies. This guideline applies to the projects under Veterinary Teaching Hospital and College of Veterinary Medicine when WSU IACUC-approved protocols are applied for teaching, research, or testing.

Principle:

According to federal regulations, all individuals performing procedures on live vertebrate animals used in teaching, testing, exhibition, and research should be adequately trained to perform the procedures. Veterinary pool and Veterinary technician pool is facilitated by the law to enable qualified personnel perform wide range of procedures on research, teaching, and testing protocols that have IACUC oversight.

Guidelines:

Guidelines for including an individual under Veterinarian Pool:

a. Graduated from an accredited veterinary school

b. Employed by WSU VTH or CVM

If an individual does not meet all the three requirements, the individual should be listed on the protocol with information regarding the relevant training, experience, and expertise to perform the procedures indicated in the protocol.

Guidelines for including an individual under Veterinarian Pool:

a. Veterinary technicians should be licensed as veterinary technicians from a recognized technician training program

b. Should be employed at WSU

All individuals added to the vet technician pool must meet the requirements. An individual by virtue of being an animal manager, laboratory manager, laboratory technician or having passed AAALAS or LATG courses cannot be considered to be a part of the veterinary technician pool. All personnel outside of the veterinary technician pool must be included in the protocol and their experience and training to perform the selected procedures must be provided for the reviewers.
If you have any questions or concerns regarding this guideline, please call IACUC office at 335-7951 or email iacuc@wsu.edu to schedule one.

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