



Confidentiality Agreement-IACUC Visitor

Meeting Visitor: As an observer of the North Carolina State University (NCSU) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), you agree to treat all information revealed to me during review and discussion of applications for vertebrate animal use as confidential and secret.

You have expressed an interest in accompanying the IACUC on a facility inspection. Specifically, but not limited to, the following items are required before you will be authorized to attend the inspection:

- (1) **Biosecurity:** You have not been out of the country within the last 14 days.
- (2) **Physical Security of Facilities and Animals:** You will not take any pictures or video recordings of the animals or animal facilities unless directed to do so by IACUC staff or members.
- (3) **Confidentiality:** You recognize that you may come into contact with proprietary information of the university or third-party sponsors and that you are bound to maintain all information to which you are exposed in connection with IACUC activities in confidence in perpetuity unless granted authority to release the information by the IACUC or as otherwise may be required by a court of competent jurisdiction. You understand that information may relate to patentable concepts or be otherwise of a proprietary nature, and that research proposals and protocol applications are treated as confidential by supporting agencies until they are funded.
- (4) **Personal Danger and Indemnification of NC State University:** You acknowledge that there are certain inherent dangers in touring animal facilities and to this end indemnify and hold harmless the university and its faculty, staff and students from any harm, howsoever caused, that may accrue to you resulting from your participation in the inspection.
- (5) **Occupational Health and Safety considerations:** You acknowledge that the following potential risks exist in an active facility: animal bites/scratches, zoonotic disease, laboratory animal allergens, slip/fall risk, loud noises, and chemical hazards and will let the inspection team know if you have allergies to animals or other medical conditions that would require a medical evaluation to be completed and reviewed by the OHS program prior to participating in the inspection.
- (6) **IACUC Inspection Team Instructions:** The IACUC inspection team may provide you with specific instructions during the visit including prohibiting you access to certain areas within a facility or dismissing you from the inspection altogether. Any and all instructions by the IACUC inspection team must be followed. To the extent you object to any such instructions you will be asked to disembark from the inspection.

By signing below, I have read and understand the covenants above and recognize my responsibilities and obligations in attending the IACUC facility inspection or meeting.

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____