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Role and responsibilities of animal ethics committee (IAEC)

- Institutional animal ethics committee.
- Roles and responsibilities are given according Committee for control and supervision of experiments on animals (CCSEA).
- The primary responsibility is to ensure, on behalf of the institution, that all activities relating to the care and use of animals are conducted in compliance with the CCSEA.
- Ethically reviewing proposals and animal facility management procedures.

Preparing for meetings

- Review proposals to be assessed at the meeting
- Prepare any questions or discussion points
- Depending on the number and complexity of the proposals.

Attending meetings

- Attend meetings of the IAEC.
- Give early notice of inability to attend a meeting, as the meeting must be rescheduled if a quorum cannot be reached.

Considering project/activity proposals

- Ensure animal use complies with the requirements of the code.
- Determine whether the proposal is ethically acceptable, demonstrates the governing principles of the scientific use and whether the potential effects on the wellbeing of animals involved is justified by the potential benefits.
- Monitoring animal use-Monitoring activities undertaken by an include:
- inspecting animal housing and laboratories on a regular basis
- examining records maintained by investigators, teachers and animal facility managers
- taking appropriate action in response to any unexpected, adverse events
- Inspecting at an early stage any project likely to cause animals harm, including pain or distress (include as a condition of approval)
- Ensuring activities that are not compliant with the code cease immediately and remedial action is taken
- Delegating authority to suitably qualified people to monitor animal care and use, particularly in remote sites
- Reviewing the annual reports and completion reports submitted to the by investigators and teachers.

Confidentiality

- CCSEA members may be asked to assess information that is commercial 'in confidence'. The institution will require members to sign a confidentiality agreement on joining the committee. Members must use the information provided only for the purpose of carrying out their responsibilities as CCSEA members.




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