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Animal: Any live or dead vertebrate animal used or intended for use in teaching, testing, research, judging, showing, or rodeo practice or competition.

Regulated Animal: Any college-owned vertebrate animal subject to Animal Welfare Act (AWA) regulations and USDA-APHIS oversight. This includes college-owned traditional regulated species (e.g., guinea pigs, gerbils, chinchillas) and college-owned farm animals (cattle, horses, swine, sheep) utilized for basic science, biomedical, or non-traditional agricultural teaching or research.

Non-Regulated Animal: Any animal exempt from IACUC protocol approval and USDA Animal Welfare Act reporting under USDA-APHIS guidelines. This includes client-owned animals treated under a Veterinary Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR), shelter animals utilized under formal written service agreements (e.g., spay/neuter programs), farm animals used strictly for standard agricultural production management instruction, and exempt species (college-owned rats, mice, birds, and cold-blooded vertebrates).

Attending Veterinarian: The institutional animal care and use committee (IACUC) attending veterinarian with direct or delegated program responsibility who has training and experience in laboratory animal science and medicine, or in the care of species used. **The Attending Veterinarian serves as a voting member of the IACUC.**

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC): A committee appointed by the EWC institutional official charged with ~~providing local review and oversight of teaching, research, rodeo activities, judging, and showing or other activities utilizing animals.~~ **general oversight, evaluation, and assurance of compliance with the College's animal care and use program for regulated activities**

Veterinary Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR): A medical relationship established when a licensed veterinarian assumes responsibility for making clinical judgments regarding an animal's health, and the owner/client agrees to follow instructions, thereby classifying client-owned animals as non-regulated under institutional teaching policy.

****Use of Animals in Veterinary Technology Teaching Programs**

CVTEA endorses the principles of humane care and use of animals

- Care and use of animals must follow USDA regulations as authorized under the Animal Welfare Act (AWA) for all animal use.
- Animal use in teaching must follow current best practices of humane care and use.

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