Reporting Animal Mistreatment or Animal Protocol Noncompliance

The IACUC is responsible for ensuring that all animals used in research and teaching programs are treated in accordance with the Federal Animal Welfare Act, the PHS “Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals”, the NIH, the National Research Council “Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals”, and all other applicable government regulations and institutional policies.

Should you have a concern regarding the care or treatment of animals used in research or teaching activities at UNC Charlotte, please contact the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) through the Office of Research Compliance or any one of the following:

- Dixie Airey, Director, Office of Research Compliance (ORC)
  PH: 704-687-1876
  FX: 704-687-0980
  EM: dsairey@uncc.edu
- Research Compliance
  EM: uncc-iacuc@uncc.edu
- Dr. Yvette Huet, IACUC Chair
  PH: 704-687-8696
- Dr. Chandra Williams, Attending Veterinarian
  PH: 704-687-5017

Provide the following information (other information may be helpful):

- Describe the incident.
- Did you witness the incident yourself?
- When did the incident happen? (time and date)
- Where did this incident occur? (building name and room number and/or name of principal investigator)
- Have you reported this incident to anyone else, and if so, when and what action was taken?
- Name of complainant and phone number or e-mail (optional).

You may provide the information anonymously and to the extent that it is possible, the University will preserve your anonymity. It is helpful for the IACUC to have as much information as possible in order to conduct a thorough investigation. Your report will be handled confidentially.

The USDA Animal Welfare Regulations and North Carolina law provide specific protection for employees, IACUC members, or laboratory personnel against discrimination or other reprisals for reporting violations of the Animal Welfare Act (whistleblower protection).