

MEMBERSHIP	<p>The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) must be composed of a Chairperson and at least two additional members. [2.31, Policy #15]</p>
Members	<p>The IACUC must be composed of: [2.31(b)(2)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Chairperson • at least one Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) • at least one nonaffiliated member <p>NOTE: To be a valid IACUC, all three positions must be filled.</p> <p>Although not specifically prohibited by the AWA, APHIS strongly discourages one person from filling more than one of these positions, such as: [Policy #15]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the DVM being the Chairperson • the nonaffiliated member being the Chairperson <p>Note: APHIS also strongly discourages the research facility's Institutional Official from being the Chairperson or DVM.</p> <p>If the IACUC consists of more than three members, not more than three members can be from the same administrative unit of the research facility, such as: [2.31(b)(4)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology Department • Cardiology Department
Chairperson	<p>The Chairperson is responsible for all activities of the IACUC including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scheduling meetings • setting the agenda for meetings • sending a list of protocols to be reviewed to members • moderating the meetings • ensuring the research facility's compliance with the AWA and its regulations and standards • keeping records of activities • informing the Principal Investigator of the IACUC's decisions regarding his/her protocol • sending the required reports to the Institutional Official <p>Note: The Chairperson may delegate one or more of these activities to other IACUC members or research facility staff.</p>

<p>Doctor of Veterinary Medicine</p>	<p>The Doctor of Veterinary Medicine must have: [2.31(b)(3)(i)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • training or experience in laboratory animal science or medicine, and • direct or delegated responsibility for activities involving animals at the research facility, and • ability to critically review a protocol for veterinary care issues <p>NOTE: A research facility's Attending Veterinarian may fulfill the role of the DVM on the IACUC or the position may be filled by another veterinarian.</p>
<p>Nonaffiliated Member</p>	<p>The nonaffiliated or outside member represents the interests of the general public and must NOT be: [2.31(b)(3)(ii), Policy #15]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the research facility • a laboratory animal user at any research facility • a person with a financial interest in the facility, such as an animal supplier • compensated to an amount which jeopardizes the member's status as a nonaffiliated member <p>Compensation for the nonaffiliated member may include: [Policy #15]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • travel expenses • parking • meals • a modest monetary payment which does not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ become an important source of income ▸ influence voting on the IACUC <p>Examples of nonaffiliated members include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • clergy • retirees • humane society volunteers or employees • practicing veterinarians • physicians • biologists not conducting animal research • bioethicists • non-research staff members from other institutions

