

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES
DIVISION OF COMPARATIVE MEDICINE
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

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TITLE:	Livestock Husbandry
SCOPE:	Animal Care Personnel
RESPONSIBILITY:	Facility Manager, Technical Staff, Veterinary Staff
PURPOSE:	To Outline the Proper Procedures for Receiving, Physical Examination, Evaluating Health Status, Handling, Care and Husbandry Practices Related to Livestock

I. PURPOSE

1. To ensure the highest quality of animal health and preclude the development of spontaneous diseases or disorders, which could compromise the integrity of studies and the interpretation of results.
2. To ensure personnel handling livestock perform their duties in a manner that complies with all current governing laws, regulations, and guidelines.

II. RESPONSIBILITY

1. The Veterinarians oversee all aspects of animal health T0 Tc 0 Tw 23.207 0 Td()TjEMC /P <</MCID 60

3. Individual **Animal Medical Records** are prepared for each animal, to include (see **SOP #012** entitled, **Animal Medical Records**):
 - a. **Arrival Status Sheet** CMDC #008
 - b. **Progress Notes** CMDC #013
 - c. New animals are recorded on the **Monthly Per Diem Sheet** CMDC #175 and on a **Progress Notes** form CMDC #013 located in the **Room Log Book**

4. N95 mask and face shield are recommended when working with (N000.5W20.9C2105T-12-97i)(0802

5. Sanitize fixtures in occupied rooms weekly, and prior to occupancy, with Oxivir Tb and thoroughly rinse/flush after the appropriate contact time.

9. **Health Surveillance:**

- a. Each housing room is assigned to an Animal Care Technician. Daily observations of the Animal Care Technician are recorded on the **Room Status Sheet** within the **Room Log Book**.
- b. Surveillance frequency:
 1. On weekdays, health surveillance will occur twice per day, prior to 9:30 AM, and again about mid-afternoon.
 2. Health surveillance on weekends and holidays will occur once per day.
- c. Observations and communications must be noted on the **Room Status Sheet**, the Facility Manager's **Animal Health and Environmental Concern Form** CMDC #077 and the **Animal Health Concerns Form** CMDC #155.
- d. Performance of daily observations and general health surveillance:
 1. Each animal/cage is observed to evaluate the following
 - a. Food and water intake
 - b. Urine and fecal output
 - c. Assurance of water supply and patency
 - d. General appearance (presence of lesions/injuries, coat condition, disposition)

NOTE: If at any time there is a medical emergency, the Clinical Veterinarian is to be notified immediately.

- e. **Weekly notation is made in the *Progress Notes* regarding animals' overall**

