Title: Daily Observation/Actions for Biomedical Research Animals and Non-Ag Teaching Animals

I. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to outline the minimum standard of observations required for biomedical research and Non-Agricultural teaching animals.

II. Policy:

All animals must be observed daily for signs of illness, injury, or abnormal behavior by a person who has been trained to recognize such signs. (Guide, pg. 112) Observations must be recorded at least daily.

III. Procedure:

Refer to species specific observation policies in individual husbandry policies on the Teaching & Research Animal Care Services (TRACS) Veterinary website.

Morbidities and mortalities must be reported as outlined in the Veterinary Care Policy.

For Agricultural Animals refer to Daily Observations/Actions of Large/Agriculture Animals species specific Standards of Care regarding minimum standard of observations for non-biomedical agricultural animals, for example range housed cattle.