Annual Report to OLAW

Institution: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, N.Y./New Jersey VA Health Care, Syracuse VAMC

Assurance Number: D16-00275

Reporting Period: January 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020

This institution's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), through the Institutional Official, provides this annual report to the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW).

I. Program Changes

- [] A. There have been **no changes** in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance.
- $[\boxtimes]$ B. Change(s) in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance have occurred during this reporting period.

Select all that apply:

- [] This institution's AAALAC accreditation status has changed (PHS Policy IV.A.2.).
 - [] AAALAC Accredited Category 1
 - [] Non-Accredited Category 2
- [🛛] This institution's program for animal care and use has changed (<u>PHS Policy IV.A.1.a-i.</u>). Due to the response to COVID-19, and the need to hold regular IACUC meetings, some IACUC business is now conducted through telecommunications or internet means.
- [\boxtimes] The individual designated by this institution as the Institutional Official has changed.
- [\square] The membership of this institution's IACUC has changed.

II. Semiannual Evaluations

This IACUC has conducted semiannual evaluations of the institution's program and inspections of the institution's facilities (including satellite facilities) on the dates below. Reports of the evaluations and inspections have been submitted to the Institutional Official. The reports include any IACUC- approved departures from the *Guide* with a reason for each departure, any deficiencies (significant or minor) that were identified, and a plan and schedule for correction of each deficiency.

A. Program Evaluations

Date 1: 4 March, 2020	Date 2: 5 August, 2020

B. Facility Inspections

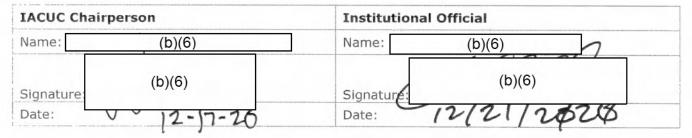
Date 1: 4 March, 2020	Date 2: 12 August, 2020

III. Minority Views

 $[\boxtimes]$ A. There were **no minority** views during this reporting cycle.

[] B. Any minority views submitted by members of the IACUC regarding reports filed under <u>PHS</u> <u>Policy IV.F.</u> for this reporting cycle are attached.

IV. Signatures



V. Change in Institutional Official

Name: Fi	rank P. Pearson				
Title: Me	Title: Medical Center Director Degree/Credentials: DPT, PA-C				
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VI. Change in IACUC Membership

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IACUC Contact	Inform	ation						
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IACUC Chairper	son							
Name: (b)(6	6)							
Title: IACUC Chai	ir, Chief	of Dermato	ology	D	egree	e/Credenti	ials:	M.D.
PHS Policy Memb	ership F	Requiremen	ts***: Scie	entist				
IACUC Roster								
Name of Member Code [*]	/	Degree/ Credentia	ls	Position Title/ Occupational Background**			PHS Policy Membership Requirements***	
(b)(6)		M.D.		IACUC Chair, Chief of Dermatology			of	Chair, Scientist
(b)(6)		D.V.M.		Veterinary Medical Consultant & Director Dept. of Laboratory Animal Resources at SUNY Upstate Medical University		-	Veterinarian	
(b)(6)		B.S.		Retired from Philip Morris				Nonaffiliated Nonscientist
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(b)(6)		none		Unit Supervisor Student in the Dept. of Religion at Syracuse University		of	Nonscientist	
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* Names of members, other than the chairperson and veterinarian, may be represented by a number or symbol in this report to OLAW. Sufficient information to determine that all appointees are appropriately qualified must be provided and the identity of each member must be readily ascertainable by the institution and available to authorized OLAW or other PHS representatives upon request.

** List specific position titles for all members, including nonaffiliated (e.g., banker, teacher, volunteer fireman; not "community member" or "retired").

*** PHS Policy Membership Requirements:

- Veterinarianveterinarian with training or experience in laboratory animal science and
medicine or in the use of the species at the institution, who has direct or
delegated program authority and responsibility for activities involving animals
at the institution.Scientistpracticing scientist experienced in research involving animals.
- *Nonscientist* member whose primary concerns are in a nonscientific area (e.g., ethicist, lawyer, member of the clergy).
- Nonaffiliated individual who is not affiliated with the institution in any way other than as a member of the IACUC and is not a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the institution. This member is expected to represent general community interests in the proper care and use of animals and should not be a laboratory animal user or former user. A consulting veterinarian may not be considered nonaffiliated.

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