Members of McLean Hospital's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee have approved two exemptions to the AWA standards during the past year (2021)

## **Exemptions**

1. An exemption was granted allowing cage washing of operant cages on a monthly basis, rather than bi-monthly basis. These cages are designed to accommodate 14 individually-housed rhesus monkeys that have been fitted with tethered, indwelling intravenous catheters. Scientific and welfare justifications for the exemption were reviewed and approved by the IACUC.