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-Ag 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) Campus Veterinary website [http://safetyservices.ucdavis.edu/ps/a/TRACS/soc/SEC30](http://safetyservices.ucdavis.edu/ps/a/TRACS/soc/SEC30)

Morbidities and mortalities must be reported as outlined in the Veterinary Care Policy: [http://safetyservices.ucdavis.edu/ps/a/TRACS/vcp](http://safetyservices.ucdavis.edu/ps/a/TRACS/vcp)

Refer to *Daily Observations/Actions of Large/Agriculture Animals* policies regarding minimum standard of observations for non-biomedical agriculture animals in the species specific standards of care.