Policy # BP-10-2011

Policy Title: Program Responsibilities: Attending Veterinarian

Policy: The attending veterinarian has authority over all aspects of the veterinary program. As outlined in both the Animal Welfare Act Regulations and Public Health Service Policy, this is considered to cover the following areas:

- Animal husbandry and housing
- Procurement of animals
- Acclimation and quarantine of animals
- Separation of animals by species, health status, and/or source
- Daily animal care
- Animal health program
- Animal observation frequency
- Reporting of animal health problems
- Anesthesia and analgesia
- Survival surgery procedures
- Post-procedural and post-operative care
- Pre-study consultation regarding the “handling, immobilization, anesthesia, analgesia, tranquilization, and euthanasia” of animals
- Training and assessment of skills relating to the above topics.