



Florida Atlantic University

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR CHILDREN IN ANIMAL FACILITIES

Regulations require that each IACUC have a written policy on age requirements for visiting and working with animals. The main concerns are zoonotic diseases that might be transferred from person to animal or animal to person, and chemical, physical, and biological hazards. Accordingly, the IACUC's policy is as follows.

1. No person under the age of 18 will normally be allowed in an animal facility.
2. Persons 18 or older may enter if they meet all IACUC requirements for entry into an animal facility and FAU policies.
3. Persons under 18 must adhere to and follow FAU Policy "Children in the Workplace" and EH&S policy "Minors in Research Laboratories or Animal Facilities"
(http://www.fau.edu/facilities/ehs/info/Minors_in_Labs_Policy_and_Procedures_Final.pdf)
and be approved by the Director, Veterinary Services.