

## IACUC/ULAR Hands-On Animal Training During COVID-19

Because hands-on animal training in many cases requires personnel to be in contact at distances less than 6 feet, additional precautions must be utilized when conducting this training.

Personal protective equipment requirements for the training rooms and animal rooms will be posted on the facility door and include at a minimum disposable lab coat, face mask and gloves.

In addition, whenever training includes contact between trainee and trainer at distances closer than 6 feet, a disposable face shield must be worn. Face shields will be provided by ULAR.

When possible, training will be conducted with animal work within a HEPA filtered animal workstation. The trainee and trainer will work on either side of the hood with the plexiglass shields and laminar flow air between the individuals.

Training will be limited to the trainer and one trainee per session.

Once training is scheduled, the ULAR trainer will instruct trainees on the process.

To request training, the individual must complete the following:

- Be listed on the research start-up plan
- IACUC required occupational health screening
- CITI on-line training
- Submit the training request documents

See the IACUC web page for completing these requirements and obtaining training request documents

<https://drexel.edu/research/compliance/animal-care-use/training-requirements/>