

Animal Research @ Emory

**Ask RCRA
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Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

Oversight and continuing review of the University Animal Care Program including the following:

- Review and approval of **animal care and use protocols** and subsequent revisions
- Semiannual **site inspection** of animal housing and use areas
- Semiannual **program reviews**
- Investigation and review of reports related to animal welfare
- Regulatory **reporting** to institutional and federal agencies

The IACUC reports directly to the Institutional Official



External Oversight of Animal Activities

Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW)



(USDA)



United States Department of Agriculture

Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC)

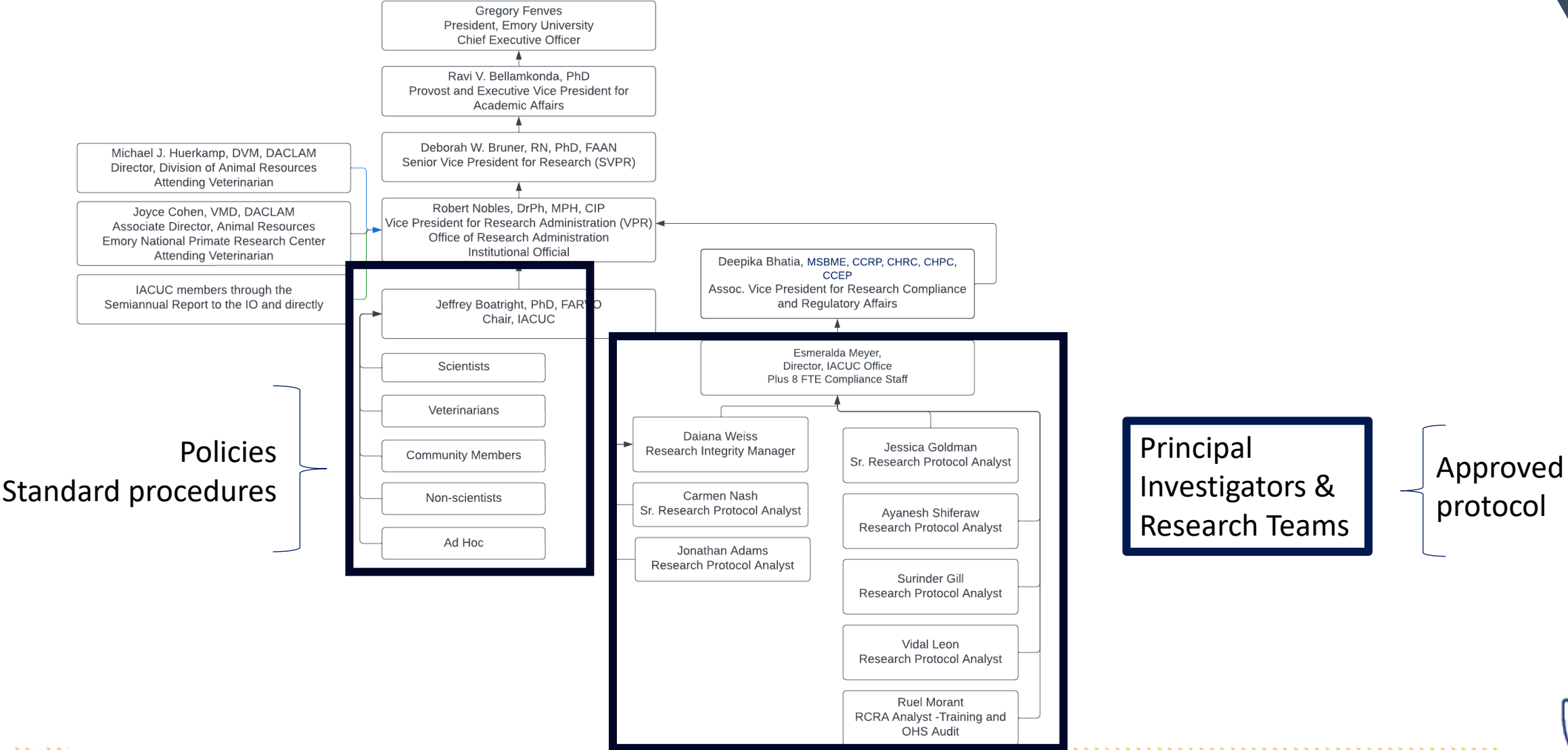


❖ Collaborative agreements

❖ Interinstitutional Assurance



Internal Oversight of Animal Activities



IACUC Office Responsibilities

IACUC

- Manage protocol review
- Complete Grant-to-Protocol congruency
- Coordinate site inspections and program reviews.
- Coordinate investigation of adverse events.
- Verify training and OHS requirements

Research Teams

- Communicate with PI and researchers regarding protocol review.
- Preparation of MOUs and Institutional Assurances
- Communication with IACUC counterparts in collaborating institutions

Compliance

- Internal and external reporting
- Recordkeeping
- Ensure functions of the IACUC are in line with approved PHS Animal Welfare Assurance
- Process improvement
- Quality Assurance



Resources available to PIs and Research Teams



Website: <https://rcra.emory.edu/iacuc/index.html>

Wiki site: <https://emory.sharepoint.com/sites/eIACUC>



Office Staff (iacuc@emory.edu)

Protocol analysts

Research integrity

Training and OHS



eIACUC Software Solution for protocol and program management

Contact the IACUC Office

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