

CLOSEOUT MEMEORANDUM FOR A-01040012

We received an email from a Program Director¹ referencing a call he received from an institutional official at university (1)². The official stated that although university (1) signs-off on the Animal Care and Use Protocol Review Form for University (2)³ their animal care facilities have never been inspected by anyone from university (1). The National Science Foundation is currently supporting animal research at university (2). After conferring with the Program Director, we decided that the matter should be investigated further.

After review of the information received from the institutions as well as the principal investigator involved, the awards⁴ were suspended for approximately 30 days to allow the institution time to correct all deficiencies in their animal care and use protocol. University (2) notified NSF that all deficiencies have been corrected and the college is now in compliance with NSF as well as NIH Guidelines.

OIG conducted a follow-up site visit at university (2). We confirmed that all deficiencies had been corrected and that the College is in full compliance with federal regulations.

Therefore, this inquiry is closed and no further actions will be taken.

cc: Investigations, IG

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