### Purpose of Policy:
This policy establishes the Public Health Service’s *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, which encompasses the *AVMA Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals* and the *Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching*, as the basis upon which Western University of Health Sciences (WesternU) has established its policies regarding minimal standards of care for animals used in teaching and research.

### Policy Information:
WesternU expects that, by following the guidelines, policies or procedures indicated above, investigators will design and conduct their experiments involving animals in the highest scientific, humane and ethical manner possible.