



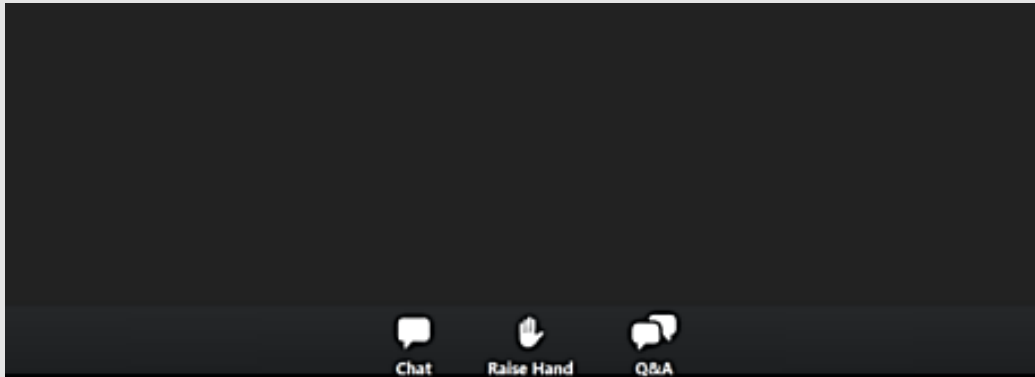
## **OLAW CONVERSATIONS**

### **Dysfunctional IACUCs: How to Spot and Proactively Address Issues**

Wednesday, June 1, 2022



# Today's session



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# **Conversations with OLAW**

## **Attributes of a Functional and Non-Functional IACUC**

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**Laboratory Animal Medicine Guru**

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**Professor Emeritus of Surgery**  
**IACUC Guru**

**As we discuss the various topics, consider the effects of each topic in terms of downstream consequences and the effect on IACUC dysfunction.**

**Explore how to correct the course of dysfunctional IACUCs and prevent issues before they start.**

# Discussion Topics

- **What is the single most important characteristic of a well-functioning IACUC that is often lacking from a dysfunctional IACUC?**

# More Discussion Topics

- **Scientific diversity among IACUC members**
- **Willingness to join discussions**
- **Collegiality with fellow IACUC members**
- **Engaged outside members**
- **Training-what type?**
- **Inadequate administrative support for the IACUC**
- **IACUC member involvement in program & facility evaluations and inspections**

# More Discussion Topics

- **Attending veterinarian engagement in PI and animal care decisions**
- **Communication of clinical problems to attending veterinarian**
- **Degree of IACUC deliberation on sensitive issues**
- **Attending veterinarian not engaged in PI animal care decisions**
- **Member engagement in protocol reviews or discussions**

# More Discussion Topics

- **Ethical cost/benefit discussions**
- **Representatives from major animal use departments**
- **Challenging comments from other members**
- **Appreciation of IACUC members by IO and administration**
- **Prompt reporting of issues as required**
- **Critical review of protocols and capture of critical issues**



# Scenarios

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Thank you!  
Next Session: TBD

