Decreasing Regulatory Burden II: Are WE the Problem?
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This post-Forum educational session will further explore topics related to regulatory agency efforts to decrease regulatory burden for PIs and the impact this may have on our potential to assume more burden in the management and oversight of animal care. Two modules will comprise the afternoon of deep-dive discussions. We will begin with a discussion of veterinary review of animal protocols; can we standardize veterinary reviews to meet expectations for the PI (e.g., surgical standards, tumor endpoints, pain management, and death as an endpoint) and also decrease self-imposed regulatory burden inherent to multi-person review processes? Next, we will delve into the efforts the USDA is making to decrease regulatory burden by becoming more “OLAW-like”. Voluntary reporting to the USDA, good idea, or GREAT IDEA!? Should AAALAC status determine the USDA inspection schedule? Do you want to share those mandatory findings and SFIs with the USDA? Do they then become FOIA/open records targets? Attendees will benefit from engaging in large and small-group discussions with colleagues on these contemporary challenges for veterinarians in biomedical research.

Learning Objectives: The participants will gain a better understanding of these regulatory changes and impact they have on the veterinary team. Colleagues will share their successes (or failures) in implementing these changes.

AGENDA

11:00 AM-12:00 PM
On-Site Check-In

1:30–1:45 PM
Welcome and Introduction

1:45 PM–2:45 PM
Module 1: Standardizing Veterinary Review of Animal Protocols – Impossible dream?

2:45–3:00 PM
Break

3:00–4:30 PM
Module 2: USDA Efforts – Changes for the Better? – Voluntary reporting, 3rd Party assessments

4:30-4:45 PM
Final thoughts

4:45 PM
Adjournment

Please note this agenda is subject to change.