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3.25 (a)

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

(a) Structural strength. Indoor and outdoor housing facilities for guinea pigs or hamsters shall be maintained in good repair, to protect the animals from injury.

*** Hamster room #362E - There is an approximately 2 square inch area next to the ceiling vent where the paint is beginning to peel off. Paint chips may be harmful to the animals if they fall into their feed or bedding. Indoor housing facilities should be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury.***

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3.31 (b)

SANITATION.

(4) Primary enclosures for guinea pigs or hamsters shall be sanitized by washing them with hot water (180 deg. F) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer, or by washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution followed by a safe and effective disinfectant, or by cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam.

*** A cage washer is used to sanitize primary enclosures for guinea pigs and hamsters on a regular basis. Log book entries recording actual temperatures reached after each cage wash use have not been completed since 11-1-04. Since there are no written records available for review, we cannot be certain primary enclosures have been properly cleaned and sanitized. Improper cleaning may increase disease hazards. A means of verifying hot water (180°F) temperatures have been reached in cage washer for sanitizing primary enclosures for guinea pigs or hamsters must be in place and maintained.***

This is a repeat non compliant item and was cited on the April 12, 2004 inspection report.

(b) Housekeeping. Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Premises shall remain free of accumulations of trash.

*** The vivarium space where guinea pigs and hamsters are housed is small and full of clutter. The space includes the food and clean cage storage room, the guinea pig study area and the main hallway. Items such as human water bottles, empty cleaning products containers, and old bags were identified in the clean cage storage room. Accumulations of trash may contaminate clean areas and threaten the health of the animals. Premises shall remain free of accumulations of trash.***

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EMPLOYEES.

3.32 - A sufficient number of employees shall be utilized to maintain the prescribed level of husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Such practices shall be under the supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care.

**** Hamsters and Guinea pigs vivarium: Currently the vivarium manager in this area is responsible for the care of over 100 animals (both covered and non-covered species). Her workload includes feeding and watering daily, cleaning animal rooms, running the cage wash, changing animal cages, reporting maintenance problems, general housekeeping of the animals rooms, storage room and study area, and recordkeeping, etc. She is the only employee in this area and works seven day each week and on holidays. There does not appear to be a back up system in place in the case of her absence or during holidays. Although the animals housed here appear in good health, the general housekeeping and recordkeeping needs attention. The lack of vivarium personnel may result in delayed responses to problems, both animal and facility related, causing harm to the animals. Additional employees should be made available to assist the vivarium manager to maintain the prescribed level of husbandry practices set forth in this subpart and a back up plan should be in place and maintained in the case of her absence.***

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