

**Is our candidate qualified to serve as the NSM on our IACUC?**

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**Current primary occupation and prior training are not related to carrying out research involving animals.**

Examples of some who are disqualified: research staff member named on an animal use protocol, animal technician who manages routine anesthesia during research procedures, lab technician who has been trained to perform tail snips (even if s/he has never actually been named as a participant on an animal use protocol)

TRUE

**Is not currently responsible for directing other to perform research procedures on animals**

Example of one who is disqualified: the PI on a project that involves animal research (even if the PI does not personally perform any of the procedures on the animals)

TRUE

**Is likely to be perceived by the general public as unbiased with regard to the interests of scientists involved in animal research?**

Examples of some who are disqualified: VMU Supervisor, health care provider, active scientist in any field (even in a field that does not involve animal research, such as botany, geology, or mathematics), someone who was involved in animal research in the past (even if no longer active)

TRUE

**“Has a naïve attitude with regard to science and scientific activities” and “is without scientific training”?**

TRUE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

FALSE

**DISQUALIFIED**  
from serving as the NSM (may serve as another member of the IACUC)

**QUALIFIED**  
to serve as the NSM

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