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Dear PIs

Presently, IACUC approvals are good for 3 years beyond which, an extension of not more than 1 year is allowed to enable the PI to complete work on the project.

At the April 2012 IACUC meeting, the IACUC agreed that the protocol approval duration be revised to <u>4 years with no further extension</u>. This would accommodate the interval between grant approval and when actual work begins after completion of the non-animal related aspects of the work such as staff hires and equipment purchases.

This will take immediate effect for all protocols.

PIs of existing protocols may submit an amendment to adjust the end date of their protocol as long as it does not exceed the 4 year mark from the date of protocol approval.

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