

**Colorado State University
Institutional Biosafety Committee**

Policy on public comment in response to IBC actions

Introduction

Section IV-B-2-a-(7) of the NIH Guidelines states, “...If public comments are made on Institutional Biosafety Committee actions, the institution shall forward both the public comments and the Institutional Biosafety Committee’s response to the National Institutes of Health: Office of Science Policy.”

Policy

Any comments made by members of the public regarding the actions of Colorado State University’s Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) shall be immediately forwarded to the IBC Coordinator. The IBC Coordinator will forward such comments to the Institutional Official (IO) and the IBC, and prepare the initial response within 72 hours. The IBC will finalize a response, which the IBC Coordinator will forward to the IO and the Office of General Counsel (OGC) for approval. Once the response has been approved, the IBC Coordinator will forward the response to the individual(s) making the comments. In addition, the IBC Coordinator will forward both the public comments and the IBC’s response to the NIH OSP.