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**NOTICE TO ALL FACULTY AND STAFF WORKING WITH
BIOLOGICAL AGENTS AND/OR RECOMBINANT DNA**

This is a reminder that, to insure compliance with NIH guidelines as well as other governmental regulatory requirements, all investigators conducting work involving any of the following materials must submit the registration form developed by the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) available at <http://www.louisville.edu/admin/dehs/LSM/biosafety.htm>.

Materials covered by the IBC registration are:

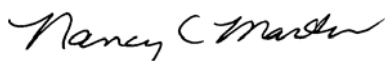
- (1) biological and/or biohazardous agents (i.e. biologically-derived toxins, etc.)
- (2) recombinant DNA (rDNA) molecules
- (3) human gene therapy
- (4) production of transgenic animals
- (5) use of human-derived or non-human primate materials
(i.e. blood, body fluids, tissues or cell lines)
- (6) use of CDC or USDA Select Agents

Failure to comply can jeopardize the University's research funding from granting institutions. Additionally, failure to meet compliance with Select Agent requirements can result in significant individual fines and/or imprisonment. Effective January 1, 2007, Grants Management and Industry Contracts will add narrative into their respective notification processes informing the PI that receipt of an IBC approval document will be necessary prior to the chartfield establishment for an accepted award/executed contract. This will assure that documentation of IBC approval will mirror the procedures currently in place for IRB and IACUC certification.

All relevant information including the IBC application/ registration form; IBC roster; NIH Guidelines; CDC Handbook on Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Labs as well as other helpful links are available at <http://www.louisville.edu/admin/dehs> (click on Biological agents and Recombinant DNA).

If you have any questions, please contact UofL's Biological Safety Officer (BSO), Dr. Carol Whetstone at 852-6670; email: Carol.Whetstone@louisville.edu, or her assistant, Ms. Stacy Hart (Biological Safety Specialist) at 852-2962; email Stacy.Hart@louisville.edu.

Sincerely,



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