FACA Policy Statement

Controlled Substances

Controlled substances are essential to the humane operation of animal control and protection agencies, for pain management, sedation, chemical immobilization, anesthesia, and humane euthanasia.

Care must be taken to ensure strict compliance with Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA record keeping and inventory control procedures applicable at the time any controlled substance is acquired, dispensed, administered, distributed, stolen, lost, disposed of, and inventoried.

Because of the potential for theft or abuse of controlled substances, each organization has a responsibility to establish adequate controls, policies and procedures to ensure compliance with all laws and regulations.

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