



**Lab Animal Occupational Health Questionnaire (LAOHQ)
for Individuals with Animal Exposure**
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)
Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S)

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) and Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) Department at Chapman University want you to be safe and protected in all your work, research and studies.

Individuals who in conjunction with their work or research have contact with, or whose work puts them in close proximity to animals are required to participate in the Laboratory Animal Occupational Health Program (LAOHP).

This program applies to individuals involved in classroom instruction, who conduct research investigations including in the field, or who work around animal facilities. Risks include bloodborne pathogens, lab and chemical hazards, ergonomic issues, scratches, zoonotic disease, allergies, and more.

The first step in this process is the completion of the **Lab Animal Occupational Health Questionnaire**, known as the **LAOHQ**. This form will allow you to identify the nature and extent of your work in this environment. This work may put you in contact with animals and may also put you in contact with certain chemical, biological or radiation/laser hazards.

The purpose of the form is to (1) initiate your enrollment in the Lab Animal Occupational Health Program, and (2) arrange and provide you with appropriate medical consultation as may be deemed necessary and appropriate.

To begin this process, please email [EH&S](mailto:EH&S@chapman.edu), and you will be sent information to login to LearnUpon, our web-based system. Once you have created that login, you will be asked to complete the **Lab Animal Occupational Health Questionnaire (LAOHQ)**. Upon your completion of that Assignment, someone from the Office of Research and/or EH&S may contact you with additional questions. If you request or require a medical evaluation, EH&S will provide you the required approval and forms that you will need to complete and take to our medical provider.

Again, please begin this process by emailing EHS@chapman.edu

The LAOHQ form will be reviewed by the IACUC administrator (iacuc@chapman.edu) in the Office of Research as well as by professional staff in the Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) office of the University. If you have specific questions about safety around animals or need assistance, or need other assistance, please contact either the [IACUC](mailto:iacuc@chapman.edu) or [EH&S](mailto:EH&S@chapman.edu).