

INVITATION

The Animal Research Ethics Committee (AREC) of the University of the Free State invites you to a formal animal research ethics training session.

This training session will focus on the new 2024 National Department of Health guidelines entitled **South African Ethics in Health Research: Principles, Processes and Structures, 3rd Edition**.

According to these guidelines “*it is expected that all REC members, REC administrators, researchers, and students who will undertake research with human participants, or that involves use of animals, will ensure they complete theoretical research ethics training.*”

Proof of assessed animal research ethics training, not older than 3-years, is a compulsory requirement for all supervisors, researchers, staff and students who work with animals.

This training will include a formal assessment, together with a certificate of completion (valid for 3-years).

All supervisors, researchers, staff and students who work with or are planning to work with animals are encouraged to attend this informative training session.

Please note: This is a repeat of the 2025 trainings

Date: 30 January 2026

Time: 09h00 – 11h00

Place: Kine 3, Francois Retief Building, University of the Free State, Main Campus

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