ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

There were four chinchillas with signs of health problems that were not being treated and need veterinary attention:
- Black female eartag #33 had a red, hairless swelling under her chin.
- White female’s right eye (no ID, in enclosure C-5) was swollen shut, hairless around the eyelids.
- Grey/silver female with eartag GROS 996 had a hairless swellings on the undersides of her bottom jaw.
- White female with eartag GROS 302 had a hairless swelling under the left side of her chin.

Indirect Non-compliances:
There were three chinchillas with signs of health problems that were not being treated and need veterinary treatment:
- A pink-white male’s (no ID) right eyelids were red and had some dried discharge around it.
- A black/silver female(GROS 95) was squinting in its right eye and had some discharge around it.
- A grey/silver female (no ID) had excessively matted fur on its stomach; the hair mats were firm and crusted attached closely to the skin. Intervention from the attending veterinarian is needed to ensure removal of these mats is done without distressing this chinchilla.

***Untreated medical problems can worsen and cause pain in affected animals and can be contagious to other animals in the building. The veterinarian must be contacted to properly diagnose and treat each animal's health problem and the facility must follow the recommended treatment. Documentation of the diagnosis and treatment plan for animals must be available for APHIS officials for future inspections.

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).
The facility had identified at least ten chinchillas and was treating their conditions, however seven chinchillas had problems that were pointed out by inspectors and haven’t received treatment for their conditions due to not being noticed by the facility:
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The facility must refine its method of routine daily observations to ensure any animal with a health problem is identified and treated promptly per the attending veterinarian's instructions.

3.125(a) CRITICAL REPEAT

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

The facility reports that all enclosures were checked for holes last week and we noted that some with holes were marked for repair and did not have animals in them, however six enclosures were noted to have holes with sharp points sticking into the enclosures. Some of the holes were large enough a chinchilla could potentially escape from the enclosure. In addition, the licensee informed us during inspection that a chinchilla was loose in the facility because it had bound against the enclosure door and sprung it open. Holes with sharp points could result in the chinchilla getting injured either from contact with the sharp points or from going through the holes. Enclosures must be maintained in good repair to prevent animal injury or escape.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

End of report.

Additional Inspectors
Wilken Kevin, Animal Care Inspector
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