

Primate Enrichment



ENVIRONMENTAL ENRICHMENT

Housing/Environment: Modulated Stainless Steel Caging (Housing space is either 6.0 sq.ft or 9.0 sq.ft, with 32" height or 69" height if expanded)

Structural Enrichment: All NHP caging is equipped with a stainless steel perch or resting surface. Activity Modules have added structural enrichment.

Sensory: Audio Visual Enrichment is provided. Human/Animal Socialization interaction is conducted with positive reinforcement during quarantine.

Manipulanda: Several items are provided as the standard for manipulanda. Standard items include rubber, plastic & stainless steel enrichments as well as novel toys & enrichment creations distributed weekly.

Nutritional: Aside from standard feed (Purina Lab Diet Monkey Diet 5038 & 5045 HP), ¼ piece of fresh produce is provided on a daily basis. In addition, a variety of nutritional enrichment items are provided as a standard or as a novel/therapeutic offering combined with enrichment devices.



SOCIAL HOUSING

Animals should be procured in pairs or groups intended to be housed together in groups or pairs, using a complex algorithm to assess compatibility, as a standard within the guidelines for space in standard CCM cages.



EXERCISE

For this species, cage space provide adequate opportunities for physical activity. Additional exercise may be offered individually or in compatible groups or pairs with expanded cages space or in activity module.

Behavioral Management

NHPs are monitored closely for abnormal/undesirable behaviors; Repetitions, Self-Destructive Behaviors, Feces Smearing, Alopecia, Fear/Aggression, Higher Needs, Social Conflict & any other behaviors.

- Behavioral Rounds are conducted 2x/wkly.
- Social Housing is evaluated for all NHPs. Pairs are maintained by CCM staff.
- Intervention Plans & Social Housing plans are maintained for animals exhibiting abnormal/undesirable behaviors- located in enrichment binder(s)
- Enrichment & Social housing Board(s) Reflect active interventions and NHPs actively being social housed.
- Questions for Enrichment Team will be reviewed during rounds

According to the Enhancement Policy; No animal is exempt from all forms of environmental enrichment and any exemptions to social housing or exercise should be considered for only the minimal amount of time or restriction necessary.

SOP's exist that describe the details of the Environmental Enhancement Plan; Including plans for physical restraint/conscious restraint training and and special needs/Behavioral Response Plan.

If Enrichment used is out side of the standard, contact CCM Enrichment Personnel.