IACUC Review Workflow Diagram
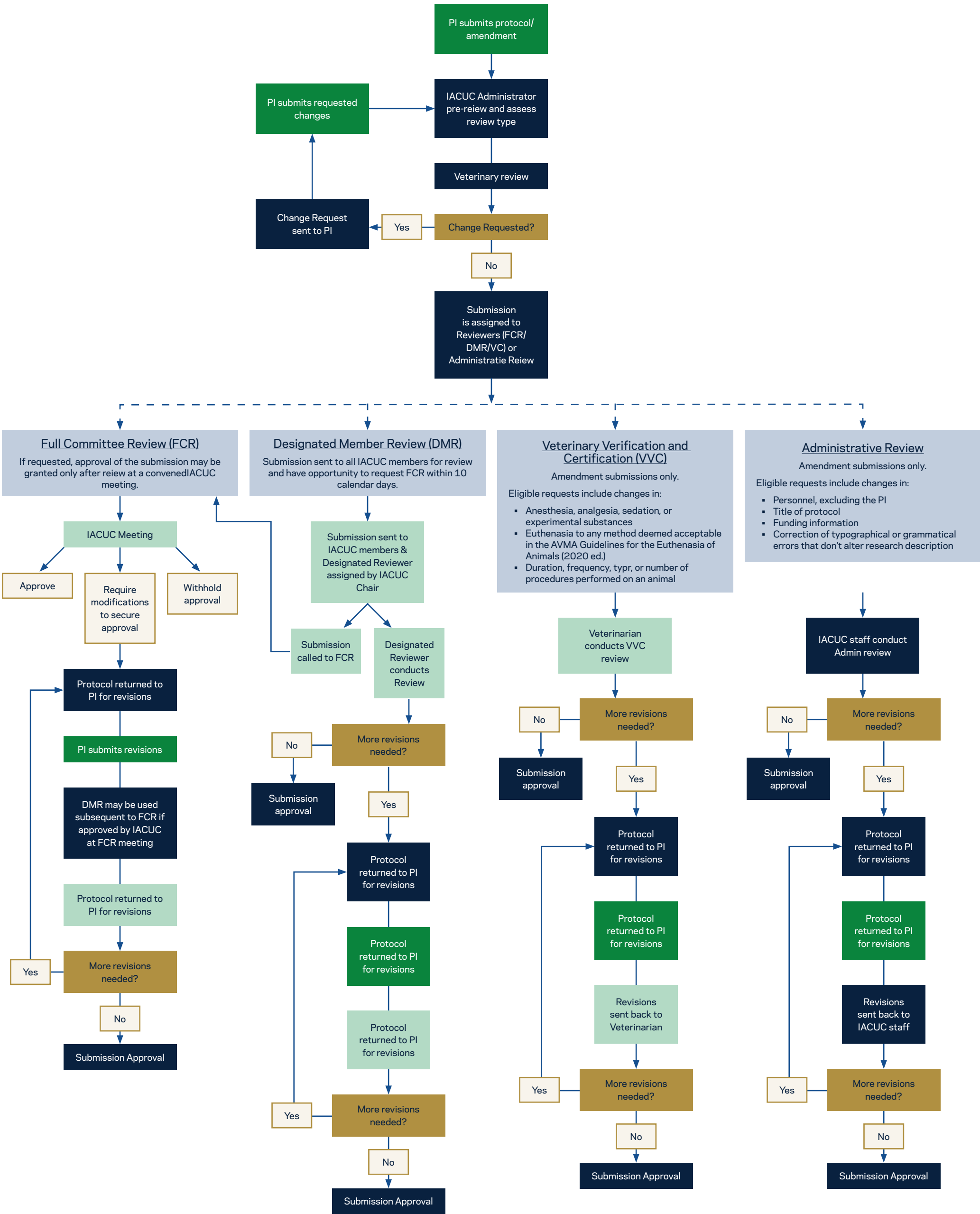

PI submits protocol/amendment

IACUC Administrator pre-reiew and assess review type

PI submits requested changes

Veterinary review

Change Request sent to PI ← Yes ← Change Requested?

No

Submission is assigned to Reviewers (FCR/DMR/VC) or Administratie Reiew

Full Committee Review (FCR)
If requested, approval of the submission may be granted only after reiew at a convenedIACUC meeting.

IACUC Meeting

Approve

Require modifications to secure approval

Withhold approval

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

PI submits revisions

DMR may be used subsequent to FCR if approved by IACUC at FCR meeting

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

More revisions needed?

Yes

No

Submission Approval

Designated Member Review (DMR)
Submission sent to all IACUC members for review and have opportunity to request FCR within 10 calendar days.

Submission sent to IACUC members & Designated Reviewer assigned by IACUC Chair

Submission called to FCR

Designated Reviewer conducts Review

No ← More revisions needed?

Submission approval

Yes

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Yes ← More revisions needed?

No

Submission Approval

Veterinary Verification and Certification (VVC)
Amendment submissions only.

Eligible requests include changes in:
- Anesthesia, analgesia, sedation, or experimental substances
- Euthanasia to any method deemed acceptable in the AVMA Guidelines for the Euthenasia of Animals (2020 ed.)
- Duration, frequency, typr, or number of procedures performed on an animal

Veterinarian conducts VVC review

No ← More revisions needed?

Submission approval

Yes

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Revisions sent back to Veterinarian

Yes ← More revisions needed?

No

Submission Approval

Administrative Review
Amendment submissions only.

Eligible requests include changes in:
- Personnel, excluding the PI
- Title of protocol
- Funding information
- Correction of typographical or grammatical errors that don't alter research description

IACUC staff conduct Admin review

No ← More revisions needed?

Submission approval

Yes

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Protocol returned to PI for revisions

Revisions sent back to IACUC staff

Yes ← More revisions needed?

No

Submission Approval

Legend
- PIs
- IACUC Staff
- IACUC Members
- Decision Point

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