

Animal Training Plan Approval Form San Francisco Zoo

Department: **Carnivores**

Species: **Lion**

Animal name: **Jahari**

Accession number: **103001**

Behavior to train or modify: **Voluntary hand injection**

Reinforcers: **Regular diet and goats' milk**

Trainer/Mentor: **Debbie/Amy**

Assistant trainers: **Lion house keepers**

Curatorial approval: **Ingrid**

Vet approval, or Director of Training (if needed): **N/A**

Safety concerns if any: **Follow normal safety guidelines for the string**

Start date _____ Completion date _____

Training Goal (Please describe the completed behavior and its criteria.)

Jahari will walk onto the injection bench, laydown, and hold his position for a hand injection.

Shaping Plan Approximations (List the training steps in sequential order).

1. **Condition a bridge and release**
2. **Teach a target**
3. **Teach the animal to lay down in front of me on a cue**
4. **Teach the animal to follow the target onto the bench**
5. **Ask the animal to lay down on the bench**
6. **Lengthen the amount of time the animal holds the position on the bench**
7. **Have the second person stand next to the trainer when the animal is in position**
8. **Have the second person touch the animal with a blunt object**
9. **Apply increased pressure**
10. **Use a sharper object**
11. **Insert a needle**
12. **Inject fluids**

Note: The amount of time the animal holds will vary including the time after the poke or needle insertion and removal.