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BIOGRAPHY:

Dr. Bruce Kaplan, a retired veterinarian, lives in Sarasota, Florida and was born in Lexington, Ky. February 26, 1939. He formerly worked as an Editor/Writer/Public Affairs consultant. Until October 2001, he was editing/writing the Ask a Veterinarian column in the *St. Petersburg Times*. Dr. Kaplan currently devotes his time to promoting the “One Health” movement with One Health collaborators, Laura H. Kahn, MD, MPH, MPP, Thomas P. Monath, MD and Jack Woodall, PhD. He is the primary contents manager for the One Health Initiative website www.onehealthinitiative.com and serves on the editorial board of the One Health Newsletter <http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/newsletter.php>.

Dr. Kaplan has written, co-authored and edited numerous articles for newspapers such as a pet care column for three years in the Louisville *Courier-Journal* and scientific publications such as the *Inspection Insights* food safety column for three years in the Journal of the *American Veterinary Medical Association* (AVMA) for the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). Over the years, he has published many scientific articles on canine and feline medical and surgical concepts in veterinary medical professional journals.

He has co-authored the *Food Safety in the United States* chapter in a 1998 American Society of Microbiology (ASM) book about organisms causing foodborne illness such as the dangerous strain of *E. coli* O157:H7 featured so prominently in the news. Dr. Kaplan also co-authored another ASM book chapter published in March 2000, *Campylobacter Prevention and Control: the USDA-Food Safety and Inspection Service Role and New Food Safety Approaches*; this discusses the most common cause of bacterial foodborne illness in the United States. He co-authored the Jan-March 2007 *Veterinaria Italiana* article, Confronting zoonoses through closer collaboration between medicine and veterinary medicine (as ‘one medicine’) http://wwwold.izs.it/vet_italiana/2007/43_1/1a_Kahn_2007_No_1.htm and the March 2008 *The American Journal of Medicine*, Teaching “One Medicine, One Health” <http://www.amjmed.com/article/S0002-9343%2807%2901082-0/abstract>. Dr. Kaplan co-edited a unique ‘first of its kind’ One Health monograph in the *Veterinaria Italiana* Journal’s 2009 - Volume 45 (1), January-March http://www.izs.it/vet_italiana/2009/45_1/45_1.htm with Drs. Kahn, and Monath and also co-authored the introductory chapter to the recent 2010 groundbreaking ‘first of its kind’ One Health book “Human-Animal Medicine – *Clinical Approaches to Zoonoses, Toxicants and other Shared Health Risks*” <http://www.us.elsevierhealth.com/product.jsp?isbn=9781416068372>.

Dr. Kaplan practiced veterinary medicine for over 23 years. He has held positions in public health with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as an epidemiologist and the USDA's Office of Public Health and Science in Washington, D.C. He also served as the USDA-FSIS public affairs specialist in California for 14 western states. Dr. Kaplan earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree (D.V.M.) from Auburn University in 1963. His awards include the AVMA's Practitioner Research Award, the USDA's Group Honor Award for Excellence and an Honorary Diploma from the American Veterinary Epidemiology Society (AVES).