New Book Promotes Awareness and Prevention of Zoonotic Diseases Between People and Their Pets

Ames, IA – The Center for Food Security and Public Health (CFSPH) at Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine announces the availability of a new book titled Zoonoses: Protecting People and Their Pets.

The book highlights the positive aspects of pet ownership. It helps healthcare professionals and students enhance their knowledge of zoonoses - diseases spread between people and animals. Zoonoses: Protecting People and Their Pets promotes the One Health concept of collaboration across healthcare disciplines, and the importance of working together to promote healthy relationships between people and pets. Partnerships between human, veterinary and public health professionals are needed to raise awareness, enhance detection, and promote prevention of these diseases.

The book gives professionals a common understanding that will encourage collaboration. It also provides reference materials to educate clients, patients and staff on the risks and prevention of zoonotic diseases.

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To find out more and order a copy, visit http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/Products/zoonoses-protecting-people-and-their-pets.php. The textbook cost is $70.

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The Center for Food Security and Public Health (CFSPH) is nationally and internationally recognized for providing educational materials and animal disease information. The CFSPH was established in 2002 through funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to increase national and international preparedness for accidental or intentional introduction of diseases that threaten food production or public health. The CFSPH website (www.cfsph.iastate.edu) is the number one result on Google searches for “animal disease information,” with more than 24 million hits annually.

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