Public Health Professionals and Students Encouraged to Submit Abstracts for the 2014 Wildlife Disease Association (WDA) Conference

The WDA is seeking abstract submissions for both oral presentations and posters from professionals and students from within the field of public health and epidemiology.

Health of wildlife, domestic animals, humans, and their environments (One Health), has been a focus of the WDA for more than 50 years. For the first time, this year’s conference is being co-sponsored by the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians and will feature unique opportunities for inter-disciplinary interaction and dialogue. The conference theme is “One Health: Transitioning from Theory to Practice”.

The 2014 International Conference of the Wildlife Disease Association will be held at the Tamaya Resort at Santa Ana Pueblo, near Bernalillo, New Mexico, USA from July 27th-Aug 1st 2014. Anticipated focus sessions will include One Health in practice, zoonotic diseases of the American Southwest, and the impact of human development on wildlife health and environmental health. We encourage submission of contributed papers and posters on these topics as well as new findings in other areas of One Health, wildlife disease, public health and environmental health.

Please see link below for more information regarding student awards competition and application instructions:

Submissions by students are encouraged for featured student sessions and awards competition.

Examples of recent WDA publications with a One Health focus include:

1. **GIARDIA IN MOUNTAIN GORILLAS (GORILLA BERINGEI BERINGEI), FOREST BUFFALO (SYNCRUS CAFFER), AND DOMESTIC CATTLE IN VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK, RWANDA**

2. **ZOONOTIC DISEASE RISK AND PREVENTION PRACTICES AMONG BIOLOGISTS AND OTHER WILDLIFE WORKERS—RESULTS FROM A NATIONAL SURVEY, US NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, 2009**
   Stacey A. Bosch, Karl Musgrave and David Wong

3. **THE ROLE OF WILD MAMMALS IN THE MAINTENANCE OF Rift Valley Fever Virus**
   Marie-Marie Olive, Steven M. Goodman and Jean-Marc Reynes

4. **ECOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY OF HUMAN MONKEYPOX CASE OCCURRENCES ACROSS AFRICA**
   Christine K. Ellis, Darin S. Carroll, Ryan R. Lash, A. Townsend Peterson, Inger K. Damon, Jean Malekani and Pierre Formenty


This deadline is for submissions of abstracts for both oral presentations and posters. Deadlines for student competition submissions are variable depending on specific award. For all abstracts, an email stating we have received your submission will be sent within 5 working days of receipt. Notification of acceptance will be sent to authors by May 5, 2014.

For the complete Call for Abstracts, please see:
http://www.wildlifedisease.org/wda/CONFERENCES/AnnualInternationalConference/CallForAbstracts