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To: Veterinary Extension and Public Health Colleagues and Students

From: Drs. Kathy Whitman and Chloe Stenkamp-Strahm, AAEV 2026 Symposium Co-chairs

**Subject: Call for Abstracts for the AAEV Applied Animal and Public Health
Research & Extension Symposium, October 18, 2026**

Have you recently worked on a project or developed resources related to animal or public health? Would you like to share it as a 15-minute presentation with an enthusiastic audience? The American Association of Extension Veterinarians (AAEV) seeks presenters for the 22nd Annual Applied Animal and Public Health Research and Extension Symposium in Madison, WI.

The AAEV Symposium is a fantastic opportunity for veterinarians and veterinary students to share their projects with others in the field, and network with others that interface with the public sector! Please consider submitting an abstract, or encourage others (including veterinary or graduate students).

The Symposium will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2026, from 3:00-6:00 pm, during the 130th U.S. Animal Health Association (USAHA)/69th American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians (AAVLD) Annual Meeting (Madison, WI). In-person presentations will be given preference in the selection process, with options for posters and a few pre-recorded presentations with live Q&A during the symposium. A remote option for AAEV members to attend the symposium may also be available. **Registration for the USAHA or AAVLD meeting is encouraged, but NOT required to attend/present at the symposium.**

Abstracts should:

- Highlight an applied animal or public health research topic or describe a new extension/outreach resource applicable to veterinarians involved in extension, regulatory, academic, or diagnostic careers.
- Contain preliminary/concluding description of the outcome and significance of the work.
- NOT exceed 350 words.
- Submitted as a word document with the following formatting:
 - The abstract should have one-inch margins and use Times New Roman 12-point font. Title should be centered and in bold type. Authors should be centered (initials followed by last name) below the title; author locations should be placed directly below the author(s)' names. Superscript numbers may be used to designate different locations. Abstracts are final upon submission. Abstracts will be shared with attendees and posted on the AAEV website.

IMPORTANT DATES:

August 30: Abstracts due as an e-mail attachment (MS Word compatible file or PDF) addressed to Drs. Chloe Stenkamp-Strahm (chloe.stenkamp-strahm@usu.edu) and Kathy Whitman (kathy.whitman@colostate.edu).

September 7 (approximately): Authors of selected abstracts notified, designation as speakers or posters only, and assignment of scheduled time for live Q&A, if accepted as either a recorded presentation or a poster. Recording guidance and suggested poster format will be provided.

October 2 (For virtual presenters and posters only): Presentation recordings of 15 minutes or less or posters are due to Drs. Chloe Stenkamp-Strahm (chloe.stenkamp-strahm@usu.edu) and Kathy Whitman (kathy.whitman@colostate.edu).

October 18: Presenters should be available in-person for live presentation or online for Q&A for their presentation between 3 pm and 6 pm, or as determined by the co-chairs. Posters will be presented in PPT form during the Symposium session on October 18. Times for poster Q&A will be determined by the chairs.

There is no funding for travel nor honorarium for presenters. However, **two travel grants** of up to \$500 per applicant may be provided by the American Association of Extension Veterinarians for eligible students, on a competitive basis. **Veterinary student presenters are encouraged to apply for this AAEV travel grant (information and form attached, or visit [AAEV Travel Grants](#)).** These travel awards are intended to reimburse some of the expenses (transportation, lodging, food, etc.) incurred to attend the Applied Animal and Public Health Research and Extension Symposium and present an abstract. Please submit the grant application at the same time as the abstract.

Please contact Symposium co-chairs Drs. Chloe Stenkamp-Strahm (chloe.stenkamp-strahm@usu.edu) and Kathy Whitman (kathy.whitman@colostate.edu) for additional information, or visit the meeting page at the QR code below.

Sincerely,

Kathy and Chloe

<http://www.extvets.org/meetings.asp>

