

Shelter Educational Conference

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Information Packet



Saturday
April 21

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PetSmart Charities Shelter Educational Conference

A unique program for animal shelter workers. Conference will provide practical solutions to real problems that animal shelters in the southeast face on a daily basis.

When: April 21st & 22nd 2018

Where: College of Veterinary Medicine
Mississippi State University
240 Wise Center Drive
Starkville, MS

Note: Due to activities on campus that weekend participants are encouraged to make any needed hotel arrangements early.

Cost: With generous funding for this conference by PetSmart Charities, Inc. there is no registration fee.

Who should attend:

Conference is open to, and valuable for, anyone who works for or with an Animal Shelter. Shelter veterinarians, managers, staff and volunteers will find this conference a valuable resource in addressing practical concerns and dealing with day-to-day problems in the care of shelter animals.

Registration:

Registration is now open.

Registration is electronic by going to: <http://bit.ly/ShelterEducationalConf2018>

Travel expenses:

With generous support from PetSmart Charities, Inc. up to \$100 in travel (mileage, meals, hotel) expenses will be reimbursed for the first 100 individuals registering for this conference. (Receipts documenting expenses will be required).

Session 1: Saturday, April 21, 2018, 8 am

Basic Principles and Techniques for Animal Shelter Workers

The focus of this session is capacity for care; to assist shelters in determining their capacity for care and illustrate the importance of working within that number. Participants are encouraged to bring their population data and staffing data with them in order to fully benefit from participation.

8:00 am	Welcome	Bushby
8:15 am	Capacity for care	Woodruff
9:00 am	Determining your magic number	Woodruff
9:30 am	Break	
10:00 am	Strategies to get to your population set point and stay there	Donnett
10:45 am	Compassion fatigue	Unz
11:30 am	Behavioral enrichment for dogs and cats	Loftin
12:00 noon	Lunch: Provided at the College – Presentation: “In Search of Grants”	Bushby

Session 2: Saturday, April 21, 2018, 1 pm

Shelter Biosecurity, Facility Design, Sanitation, Population Dynamics

The purpose of this session is to discuss general principles of biosecurity. The focus will be placed on facility design, sanitation, and movement of animals within the shelter. Participants will be encouraged to bring written protocols they have for these subjects as well as a sketch of their shelter floor plans.

1:00 pm	What is biosecurity?	Woodruff
2:00 pm	Facility Design	Woodruff
3:00 pm	Break	
3:30 pm	Sanitation	Brookshire
4:30 pm	Isolation and Quarantine	Brookshire
5:15 pm	Appropriate euthanasia	Brookshire

6:00 pm Reception – heavy hors d’oeuvres

7:30 pm Dinner on your own

Session 3: Sunday, April 22, 2018, 8:00 am

Appropriate Care of Dogs in Animal Shelter

This session is specifically focused on the care of dogs in the shelter.

8:00 am	Welcome	Woodruff
8:15 am	Intake protocols and preventive medicine for dogs	Donnett
9:15 am	Detection, Prevention and Management of Canine Diseases	Donnett
10:00 am	Break	
10:15 am	Management of pediatrics and spay/neuter	Shivley
11:15 am	Transport considerations for dogs	Shivley
12:15 pm	Lunch: Provided at the College –	
	Presentation: Foster Coordination & Care	Deichmann

Session 4: Sunday, April 22, 2018, 1:15 pm

Appropriate Care of Cats in Animal Shelters

This session is specifically focused on the care of cats in the shelter.

1:15 pm	Intake protocols and preventive medicine for cats	Donnett
2:15 pm	Stress and Feline Upper respiratory disease	Donnett
3:15 pm	Break	
3:30 pm	Management of pediatrics & how to prepare for “kitten season”	Childers
4:30 pm	Cat specific intake diversion and transport considerations	Childers
	Adjourn	

Instructors: All instructors are part of the Mississippi State University College of Veterinary Medicine Shelter Medicine Program. The shelter program has provided spay neuter services to Mississippi animal shelters since the early 1990s and focused and comprehensive shelter consultations since 2014.

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