



April 5-6, 2011

Tuberculosis in Elephants: Science, Myths, and Beyond

A scientific seminar sponsored by USDA-APHIS-Animal Care

Tuberculosis (TB) emerged as a disease of concern for captive elephants in the U.S. in 1996. A TB advisory panel was formed and Guidelines for the Control of Tuberculosis in Elephants were published in 1998 with subsequent revisions in 2000, 2003, 2008, and 2010. In 2008, the TB Committee of the United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) became responsible for the revision of the Guidelines.

This seminar will summarize the current scientifically-supported knowledge of TB in elephants and dispel misinformation about the testing and the disease. Presentations will address diagnosis, treatment, epidemiology, and public health by leaders in the field. Information generated by the seminar will be made available to licensed elephant exhibitors, veterinarians, public health officials, researchers, regulatory officials, industry stakeholders, and the general public using published e-proceedings or other accessible venues.



Location: USDA, APHIS Center for Animal Welfare
6501 Beacon Drive, Kansas City, MO

Date: April 5-6, 2011

Who should attend/audience:

Professionals such as elephant veterinarians, zoo and circus directors and officials, elephant handlers, public health officials, regulatory officials, and researchers, as well as elephant stakeholders and the general public.

Objectives: To bring together scientific experts and stakeholders to share current science/research information about TB in elephants.

- 👤 Provide a platform for leading scientific experts to present a summary of the current state of knowledge regarding TB in elephants
- 👤 Publish Proceedings

Cost: Free – no registration fee, but preregistration required

[Detailed agenda will be coming soon!](#)

[Preregistration available now at:](#)

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