The One Health Initiative: Team and Website

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• 2006: Founded by Drs. Laura Kahn (MD) and Bruce Kaplan (DVM)
• 2007: Tom Monath, MD joined team
• 2008: Tom Monath established OHI website; Bruce Kaplan became contents manager
• 2009: Jack Woodall, PhD, Co-founder of ProMED mail joined team
• 2012: Lisa Conti, DVM, MPH joined team
The OH Concept: To expand interdisciplinary communication and collaboration in all aspects of health care for humans, animals, and the environment.

OHI Team’s Mission: To promote, improve, and defend the health and well-being of all species by enhancing communication and collaboration between physicians, veterinarians, and other health and environmental professionals and by promoting strengths in leadership and management to achieve these goals.
• OHI team’s goals: To educate the international scientific community, political and governmental leaders, the news media, and the general public about the OH concept and to promote the OH concept for global implementation.
• One Health goals to be achieved through:
  – Joint educational efforts between human medical, veterinary medical schools, schools of public health, and the environment.
  – Joint communication efforts in journals, conferences
  – Joint cross-species disease surveillance and control efforts
  – Joint efforts in better understanding cross-species disease transmission
  – Joint efforts in the development and evaluation of new diagnostic methods, medicines, and vaccines for the prevention and control of diseases across species
  – Joint efforts to inform and educate political leaders and the public through accurate media publications.
• OHI team works pro bono and receives no funding.
• Requires/accepts no fees from any and all OH supporters/advocates without discrimination.
• 897 Supporting Organizations and Individuals
• 64 countries
• Distinguished Honorary Advisory Board including a Nobel Laureate (Peter C. Doherty, MVsc, PhD) and Presidential Medal of Freedom Recipient (D.A. Henderson MD, MPH)
• Visits to OHI website has grown exponentially over the years.
• Currently, averages over 600 visits per day from over 150 countries
• Referred to as the “New York Times of One Health.”
OHI Website Content

• One Health News
• AVMA Task Force Report
• One Health Newsletter
  – (Univ. of Florida Emerging Pathogens Institute)
• Publications with archived documents
• IEE One Health Journal (Swedish Journal)
• ProMED Outbreak Reports
• Animal Diseases & Humans
• Upcoming Events
• Twitter—Kahn-Kaplan-Monath@OneHealthNews
  – 816 followers
• Reciprocal Links with 110 websites
Additional OHI Activities

• Presentations at Conferences
• Scientific Publications
• Policy Research
• Media Interviews and Publications
• OH related Courses
• OHI LinkedIn group
• Co-edited a OH textbook with Akio Yamada DVM, PhD, National Institute of Infectious Diseases, Tokyo, Japan
• Future Goals:
  – Improve and Expand Website
  – Develop Video Capabilities
  – Offer online OH Courses
  – Encourage more OH news & media coverage
  – Expand OH recognition from political leaders
  – Engage more activism from physicians and other relevant professionals
  – Educate and engage the public