

**The 59th James Steele Conference On Diseases In Nature Transmissible To Man
The 64th International Conference On Diseases In Nature Communicable To Man
2nd Combined Meeting
June 2-5, 2009**

Hilton Fort Worth Hotel, 815 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas

PROGRAM

The conference focuses on zoonoses of interest to health professionals. Participants include physicians, physician assistants, nurses, veterinarians, epidemiologists, virologists, microbiologists, parasitologists, entomologists, sanitarians, wildlife biologists, animal control officers, and others involved in the diagnosis, investigation, prevention, and control of infectious zoonotic diseases. The conference serves as a forum for the presentation of research papers, epidemiological data, and other aspects of emerging and current zoonoses with the goal of increasing knowledge and awareness of emerging zoonoses within the medical and public health communities. Please see the conference website at <http://diseasesinnature.googlepages.com/> for complete information, including the conference agenda, registration form, and registration instructions. **Early registration ends May 15th, so register soon!**

CONFERENCE DATES/TIMES

June 2: 8:00 a.m. Registration table opens; 12:30-6:00 p.m. Conference; 6:00 p.m. Reception
June 3: 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Conference; 6:30-8:30 p.m. J.V. Irons/R.R. Parker Memorial Banquet
June 4: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Conference
June 5: 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Conference

REGISTRATION FEE

For a registration fee of only \$200.00 you will enjoy outstanding lectures, 24.5 hours of CEUs, daily continental breakfasts and morning and afternoon food and beverage breaks, Tuesday night reception with free hors d'oeuvres and cash bar, and admission to the J.V. Irons/R.R. Parker Memorial Banquet and lecture on Wednesday evening.

LODGING

The conference room rate is \$85.00 per night for all attendees. **Reservations must be made by May 1st to qualify for the conference rate and to guarantee room availability.** Room reservations are the responsibility of individual attendees. Reservations should be made by calling the national Hilton Hotel Reservation line at 1-800-HILTONS (800-445-8667). Tell the reservation agent you are with Group THI (Texas Health Institute) and make your reservation for the Hilton Fort Worth Hotel, 815 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

Physician CME: The conference will provide a maximum of 24.5 hours of Category II credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

Veterinary CE: The Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has been petitioned for 24.5 CE hours for veterinarians.

Registered Veterinary Technician CE: The Texas Veterinary Medical Association has been petitioned for a total of 24.5 CE hours for full attendance by Registered Veterinary Technicians.

Animal Control Officer CE: The Department of State Health Services has been petitioned for 24.5 CE hours for full attendance by Animal Control Officers.

CHES CE: An application has been submitted to TSOPHE to award Category I CHES CECH. The Society for Public Health Education Inc. (SOPHE) is a designated provider of Continuing Education Contact Hours by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing.

Sanitarian CE: The conference will provide a maximum of 24.5 CE hours for sanitarians.

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