International Society for Disease Surveillance
Research Committee

Date: August 9, 2013
Description: August Research Committee Meeting

Notes:

Research Committee Leadership
• Blaine Reeder recently taken a faculty position at the University of Colorado, so has had to step down as Co-Chair for Informatics
• Mike Conway is taking over as Co-Chair for Informatics

Awards
• Award for Outstanding Student Abstract: Deadline to apply is September 9th
• Congratulations to the winners of ISDS’s 2013 Awards for Outstanding Research Articles in Biosurveillance
• Impact on Field Category
• Scientific Achievement Category

Syndromic surveillance in animal health
• Suggestions for follow-up webinar/activities
  o One Health concept
  o Proposing a Webinar series
    ▪ Partner with organizations to provide continuing education credits
    ▪ Possibly a webinar that provides an introduction to animal surveillance in general
      • People working in human health may not be aware of the current efforts
  o 2013 ISDS Conference
    ▪ Perhaps could host an informal breakfast for public health vets
    ▪ Could also submit an abstract for roundtable presentation
  o In future, ISDS Conference could provide a platform for this group
    ▪ Possibly a veterinary track
Possibly focus a future literature review on zoonosis or One Health
• Opportunities to connect with public health veterinarians
  o Health departments
    ▪ Many states have state health veterinarians
    ▪ Some large cities do as well
    ▪ Funding is an issue
  o In Europe, public health veterinarians are a close-knit group, but they are less connected to efforts in the U.S.
  o U.S.-based Professional Associations. For example:
• One topic of interest is Lack for standards in animal surveillance

Literature review
• August Literature Review: Drug resistance
  o August 21st at 12:00pm ET
  o Register: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/546100834
• October Literature Review
  o Will have informal presentation by author on article about TB resistance
    ▪ Author is in India, so proposed time is 9:30pm ET
  o Topics?
    ▪ Zoonotic/One Health
    ▪ USDA One Health section – will look for literature suggestions

New Research Committee member publications
• No new publications this month
• Submit publications here <http://www.syndromic.org/publication-submission-form>

ISDS Conference

Upcoming ISDS Events
• Global Public Health Surveillance, Governance, and Viral Sovereignty – Wednesday, August 14th – 3:00 – 4:00pm ET
  o Register: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/115066554
• ISDS BioSense User Group Meeting – Tuesday, August 20th – 3:00 – 4:00pm ET
  o Register: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/855227834
• August Literature Review – Wednesday, August 21st – 12:00 – 1:30pm ET
  o Register: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/546100834

Next steps:
• Follow-up on ideas for engaging veterinary epidemiologist
• Research Committee Members: Submit your recently published articles to be highlighted at the September Research Committee Meeting <http://www.syndromic.org/publication-submission-form>
• Mark your calendars: September Research Committee meeting will be **SEPTEMBER 20th** at **1:00 PM US ET** (NOTE: This is a change from the normal meeting time – the 2
Friday of every month)