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Tuesday, August 21, 2012
5:45 – 7:30 p.m.

Public Health Implications of the Primate Bush Meat Trade: The Failure to Make the Case with Populations in Central and West Africa

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Dr. Mike Loomis

Dr. Mike Loomis is the Chief Veterinarian at the North Carolina Zoological Park. He has a masters degree in zoology from Indiana University. He graduated from Univ. of California, Davis College of Veterinary Medicine and did an internship at the National Zoological Park in Washington, DC. He has worked as a veterinarian at the Los Angeles and San Diego Zoos. He is past president of the American Association of Zoo Veterinarians and of the American College of Zoological Medicine. He is currently Adjunct Associate Professor of Zoological Medicine at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine and is a member of the Associate Graduate Faculty, GIS (Geographical Information System) Faculty and Fisheries and Wildlife Faculty at North Carolina State University. As part of his job at the NC Zoological Park, he has coordinated an elephant conservation project in Cameroon, Africa since 1998. The goals of the project are to determine elephant land use patterns to maintain connectivity of elephant habitat and to evaluate human-elephant interactions around several national parks and find ways to mitigate negative human-elephant conflicts. He has placed approximately 40 satellite tracking collars on elephants as part of this ongoing study.

The objectives of this discussion session are to understand some of the cultural and social barriers to acceptance of the dangers of infectious agents from the primate bush meat trade.

Suggested Reading: