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American Association of Feline Practitioners Announces Return of In-person Annual Conference

The feline-focused educational conference will bring attendees from the veterinary industry together both in-person and virtual.

[BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY; July 22, 2021] The American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP) is excited to invite veterinary professionals and experts in the field of feline veterinary medicine to attend the AAFP 2021 Annual Conference: Feline Anesthesia, Analgesia, & Surgery. The hybrid event, with its inperson portion of the event at the Phoenix Convention Center from September 30 to October 3, is the first of its kind for the AAFP and the first in-person event in almost two years for the Association. Both in-person and virtual attendees will have access to live-streamed and on-demand sessions until June 30, 2022. This provides attendees an opportunity to access all CE offerings in the format they prefer with ample time to access the on-demand content. Key feline topics given by expert speakers includes anesthesia for senior cats, acute and chronic pain management, orthopedic examination, OA pain, various surgery techniques and recommendations, and much more. For the full agenda, including a complete list of topics and speakers, please visit catvets.com.

Continuing to accelerate the way educational programs are provided, the AAFP developed the hybrid program to offer something for everyone. Registration and programming options for attendees throughout the professional lifecycle, from students to support staff to veterinarians, are available. The ability



for attendees to comfortably connect in person and virtually will make this a truly unique and cuttingedge experience.

AAFP 2021 Hybrid Conference Features Include:

- In-person and virtual registration options
- Distinguished feline-expert speakers
- In-person up to 59 CE hours with both onsite sessions and on-demand access
- Virtual attendees can access up to 56 hours with both live-streaming and on-demand access
- Conference App available to all attendees
- In-person and virtual exhibit hall with over 70 exhibitors
- Return of Lunch & Learn's and social activities for in-person attendees
- Digital conference proceedings notes



The AAFP and the Phoenix Convention Center have taken preventive measures to ensure the health and safety of all conference attendees. Precautions will be in place for this in-person meeting so that attendees have peace of mind which includes a Recharge Room. For more information about every effort being made at the AAFP's hybrid annual meeting, please view the <u>registration brochure</u>.

Registration for the <u>2021 AAFP Annual Conference Hybrid Event</u> is now open. Early bird registration discounts are available until August 8. The AAFP is delighted to offer members an exclusive discount. Additional information about the hybrid conference, including registration, agenda, and updates from the AAFP and Phoenix Convention Center, can be found at <u>catvets.com/education</u>.

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About the American Association of Feline Practitioners

The American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP) improves the health and welfare of cats by supporting high standards of practice, continuing education, and evidence-based medicine (catvets.com). As a trusted leader in the veterinary community, the AAFP has a long-standing reputation and track record for facilitating high standards, including guidelines for practice excellence and educational resources. Over the years, the AAFP has encouraged veterinary professionals to continuously re-evaluate preconceived notions of practice strategies in an effort to advance the quality of feline medicine practiced. Launched in 2012, the Cat Friendly Practice® (CFP) Program



(catvets.com/cfp) was created to improve the treatment, handling, and overall healthcare provided to cats. Its purpose is to equip veterinary practices, teams, and individuals with the tools and resources to reduce stress associated with the visit and elevate the standard of care provided to cats. Launched in 2020, the Cat Friendly Certificate Program (catvets.com/certificate) now provides this education to individual veterinary professionals. Catfriendly.com, or Cat Friendly Homes, is the AAFP's cat caregiver educational resource which is powered by feline veterinarians and includes a monthly newsletter, The Cat Column.