



CAHA CONFERENCE 2021

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22ND
ZOOM WEBINAR



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WELCOME

We are especially looking forward to this year's CAHA Conference as it focuses on various aspects of professional and environmental resiliency. Over the past couple of years, we've all observed and felt pressures that either appeared due to, or were exacerbated by, COVID-19. I recently heard a colleague use the phrase, "Don't let a good pandemic go to waste." At first blush, this seems an overly glib comment. After further thought, however, I clearly see the context in which this is a powerful statement. Regardless of whether we are academicians, students, or practitioners, we have had to change our ways to some extent. Whether we changed the way we learn, teach, buy food and other commodities, deliver medical care or simply thrive, we have been significantly challenged. With the hindsight of only the past 18 months, I believe we can safely say that the medical community rose to the occasion. Whether on four legs or two, our patients experienced health issues that were both multiplied and compressed in time. I hate to say it, but those issues likely will not end when the cases of COVID-19 decline to near zero. This conference will highlight some of the issues we faced during the pandemic, but also will illustrate some of the many successes we developed along the way.

We have a stellar slate of speakers and believe you will both enjoy and benefit from participating. We look forward to 'seeing' you!

DR. DONALD NOAH

CAHA Director



AGENDA

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| 10 a.m. | Keynote Speaker Dr. Amy Acton |
| 11 a.m. | Dr. Kowalczyk |
| 12 p.m. | Dr. Karra Pierce |
| 1 p.m. | Makenzie Peterson |
| 2 p.m. | IPE activity |

Keynote Speaker



Amy Acton, MD, MPH

Dr. Amy Acton is a licensed physician in Preventive Medicine and Public Health with over 30 years of experience in executive leadership, academic and nonprofit administration, philanthropy, government and community service, teaching and data analysis, medical practice, and health care policy and advocacy. Amy's passion is leading cross-disciplinary, vibrant teams to ensure the holistic wellbeing of children, families, and communities, both at home and abroad. Her vision is to create the conditions in which all our citizens can lead flourishing lives, and contribute to their fullest potential. To this end, she is committed to One World: One Health. Amy lives in Bexley, Ohio with her husband Eric, a teacher and coach with the Bexley City Schools for 36 years. Together they have six grown children.

SPEAKERS

Dr. Tammy Kowalczyk

Dr. Tammy Kowalczyk is a Professor of Accounting and Sustainable Business at Appalachian State University. She served as the Interim Director for the Research Institute for Environment, Energy, and Economics for 2019. Kowalczyk's primary areas of research include sustainability accounting and performance assessment, carbon accounting, and natural resource economics.

Dr. Karra Pierce

Karra is originally from Canada. During her undergraduate degree she worked as a wildlife rehabilitator. Following this, she attended Western College of Veterinary Medicine with the goal of becoming a wildlife veterinarian. She is currently a wildlife veterinarian at the Wildlife Center of Virginia, where she loves teaching interns, veterinary students, and wildlife rehabilitators about wildlife rehabilitation and wildlife medicine.

Makenzie Peterson, MSc.

As a member of their senior program leadership team, Makenzie Peterson serves as the Director for Wellbeing at the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC). She works to advance AAVMC's strategic goal of fostering a culture of wellbeing throughout academic veterinary medicine by promoting preventative, systems-based initiatives. Born and raised in Alaska, Makenzie graduated from the University of Utah with a master's degree in Health Promotion & Health Education and will complete her Doctorate of Social Work from the University of Southern California in 2022.





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