



<u>Cornell Veterinarians to Provide Veterinary Care at</u> The Westminster Kennel Club's Annual Dog Show

ITHACA, N.Y. – The Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) and its satellite clinic, Cornell University Veterinary Specialists (CUVS), will be the official veterinary care providers for the 143rd annual Westminster Dog Show happening February in New York City. This first collaboration marks the beginning of a multi-year partnership between Cornell and the Westminster Kennel Club.

The Westminster Kennel Club is world-renowned for its Best in Show event, but also holds events in Agility and Obedience competitions.

"The Westminster Kennel Club is excited to have Cornell as our veterinary care provider," said Westminster Kennel Club President Charlton Reynders, III. "Their world-class knowledge and training in veterinary medicine makes them the ideal partner for our iconic event, and we plan to strengthen this collaboration in the future."

"We greatly look forward to working with the Westminster Kennel Club," said Lorin Warnick, D.V.M., Ph.D. '94, Austin O. Hooey Dean of Veterinary Medicine. "This relationship will be a rewarding one for both Cornell and Westminster as we exchange our expertise and enthusiasm for dogs of every shape and size."

As part of this partnership, CVM and CUVS veterinarians will be on-call for the duration of the Westminster show, providing treatment and consultation for all animal guests of the event. A Cornell booth will present Q&A sessions and other informational activities and resources. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about specialty services, basic veterinary care and clinical trials carried out at CVM and CUVS.

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About The Westminster Kennel Club – The Westminster Kennel Club is America's oldest organization dedicated to the sport of purebred dogs. Established in 1877, Westminster's influence has been felt for more than a century through its famous all-breed, benched dog show held every year in New York City. Today 204 breeds and varieties of dogs compete in Best of Breed judging at Piers 92/94 with the winners advancing to Group and Best in Show competitions at Madison Square Garden. America's dog show has expanded into Westminster Week which includes the Masters Agility Championship at Westminster and the Masters

Obedience Championship at Westminster, both held at Pier 94. More than 3,000 dogs entered from around the world compete in these events, making Westminster Week like no other. Westminster. *There's only one*. (R) Follow us @WKCDOGS or visit: westminsterkennelclub.org.

About The Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine: The Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine seeks to lead, enable, and inspire others to attain a healthier world for animals and people. Consistently ranked among the top veterinary schools in the world, the college is a global leader in outstanding multidisciplinary clinical and diagnostic services as well as exemplary animal care. The college continuously produces a stream of scientific breakthroughs while also preparing students, veterinarians and scientists to assume vital roles in scientific inquiry, local and global health, public policy and clinical, population and diagnostic veterinary medicine.

<u>Cornell's Companion Animal Hospital</u> is dedicated to advancing the health and well-being of animals. From sports medicine and rehabilitation to cardiology and dermatology, the Ithaca, N.Y., hospital offers world-class care in over 20 specialties.

<u>Cornell University Veterinary Specialists</u> in Stamford, Conn., redefines specialty and emergency veterinary care by providing the best-possible medical expertise and care for each patient and the pet's family through authentic, compassionate communication and service.

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