AAVP Code of Professional Ethics

Preamble:
The American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (AAVP) is committed to a framework of common principles and standards of professional practice. This code of professional ethics reflects what the AAVP values as professional and establishes expectations for practice and research based upon principles of professional and scientific responsibility, integrity, competency, accountability, and fairness. The code of ethics provides guidelines to members and is intended to reflect the highest standards of professional integrity and ethical principles.

Professional and Scientific Responsibility

A member of the AAVP:

- Adheres to the highest scientific and professional standards.
- Accepts responsibility for one's work.
- Recognizes the limits of their knowledge within their area of expertise.
- Strives to advance Veterinary Parasitology to serve the public good.
- Promotes the interests of the AAVP.
- Aids the professional development of those who enter the Veterinary Parasitology profession.
- Complies with all institutional, state, and federal laws and regulations addressing any aspect of the practice of Veterinary Parasitology and research.

Integrity

A member of the AAVP:

- Accurately represents their education, training, experience and area of expertise.
- Conducts oneself in ways that inspire confidence and trust.
- Respects others' research, teaching practice and service.
- Refrains from conduct that jeopardizes their own or others' professional or personal welfare.
- Presents accurate and complete data in reports, publications and oral presentations.
- Supports sound scientific techniques and practices.
- Refrains from engaging in conduct that could create conflicts of interest.

Competency and Proficiency

A member of the AAVP:

- Is committed to life-long learning in Veterinary Parasitology.
- Uses the appropriate scientific, professional, technical and administrative resources needed to ensure competence in their professional activities.
- Provides all professional services and scientific activities competently.

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