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### Dr. Susan Culp Receives Southwest Veterinary Symposium Visionary of the Year Award

AUSTIN – The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) is pleased to announce that Dr. Susan Culp, Lead Veterinarian for Authorized Personnel Programs was recently honored at the Southwest Veterinary Symposium (SWVS) with the 2014 Visionary Award.

The SWVS Visionary of the Year Award is intended to honor an individual who is recognized by the profession and is actively engaged in private, public, or corporate veterinary practice whose contributions elevate the standards and goals of veterinary medicine.

The SWVS is a partnership combining the efforts of the Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas veterinary medical associations to provide exceptional continuing education for veterinary professionals in our region and the rest of the nation.



Dr. Culp is responsible for overseeing the TAHC's Authorized Personnel Program training for both veterinarians and non-veterinary professionals. This new Authorized Personnel Program launched on September 1, 2014.

Dr. Dee Ellis, TAHC Executive Director and State Veterinarian, said, "The Texas Animal Health Commission is pleased to have Dr. Culp as part of the TAHC family. She has proven to be a tremendous asset to the agency. This award is truly deserved."

Dr. Culp received her DVM from Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine in 2001 and her undergraduate degree in Wildlife Biology from Texas State University in San Marcos. She practiced companion animal medicine, surgery and veterinary acupuncture in Austin for 12 years.

Founded in 1893, the Texas Animal Health Commission works to protect the health of all Texas livestock, including: cattle, swine, poultry, sheep, goats, equine animals, and exotic livestock.

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