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“One Health is the collaborative efforts of multiple disciplines working locally, nationally, and globally to attain optimal health for people, animals, plants and our environment.”

“One Health implementation will help protect and/or save untold millions of lives in our generation and for those to come.”

“Between animal and human medicine there are no dividing lines--nor should there be.” Rudolf Virchow, MD (the father of cellular pathology)

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Call to Arms...

One Health more than a name...it represents efficacious, economical approach to protecting and saving lives!

The tip of the iceberg of truth and proof in favor of One Health implementation has been documented in the One Health Initiative website and from many other sources during the first decade of the 21st century and much of the previous 20th century. Some illustrations provide a strong case for a call to arms:

• Economics of One Health:

PEOPLE, PATHOGENS AND OUR PLANET - The Economics of One Health - Important economic justification for worldwide One Health implementation – Posted One Health Initiative website Tuesday, July 03, 2012 (revised July 15, 2015 for this editorial commentary).

Important economic justification for worldwide One Health implementation...

PEOPLE, PATHOGENS AND OUR PLANET - The Economics of One Health

Please review World Bank <http://alturl.com/m2ewp> PDF link below to read entire report:

“The report has two target audiences: (a) project planners, who will benefit from the information of the costs of setting up surveillance and control systems to be used as benchmarks. When planning preparedness and control operations; and (b) policy planners at the decision-making level, who would use the information on the efficiency and effectiveness gains to guide them in the decision-making process regarding the eventual introduction of **One Health approaches**. This report disaggregates costs by task, making explicit those activities that are critical for effectiveness and identifying scope for efficiencies. ... “

...‘the case for control of zoonotic diseases (zoonoses) is compelling’... ‘the economic losses from six major outbreaks of highly fatal zoonoses between 1997 and 2009 amounted to at least US\$80 billion’ but ‘if these outbreaks had been prevented, the benefits of the avoided losses would have averaged \$6.7 billion per year’....

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• One Health Politically Viable

National League of Cities - Adopted [One Health Resolution] at the 2011 Congress of Cities – Posted One Health Initiative website November 12, 2011 (USA) - Sunday, December 04, 2011

Historic One Health Resolution (USA)...

National League of Cities · Adopted at the 2011 Congress of Cities · November 12, 2011 (USA) 2012 Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Pg.68 & 69

NLC RESOLUTION #2012-17 - ONE HEALTH INITIATIVE [Please see <http://alturl.com/tz5gx> and <http://alturl.com/zh45i>]

• Pertinent Documented One Health Achievements - One Health Initiative website Postings:

<http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/publications/One%20Health%20Achievements%20POSTED%20on%20OHI%20website%20since%202009.pdf>

• Some Other Articles citing Critical One Health Achievements of and 21st centuries' plus future goals:

http://www.izs.it/vet_italiana/2009/45_3/377.pdf

http://www.infectionecologyandepidemiology.net/index.php/iee/article/view/7919/html_176

One Health Newsletter: <http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/newsletter.php>

<http://www.avma.org/onlnews/javma/jan12/120115a.asp>

ProMED Outbreak Reports: <http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/promed.php>

Practicing "One Health" for the Human Health Clinician – One Pager

(Physicians, Osteopaths, Physician Associates, Nurse Practitioners, Other Human Health Care Providers) - April 2012:
English and Spanish language versions (respectively)

<http://alturl.com/o9g9r> (English)

<http://alturl.com/2cria> (Spanish)

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