

Animal Transport Best Practices Part II: Is Transport Right for Your Agency & Community?



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Poll Question 1



Raise your hand

(see hand button on right column)...

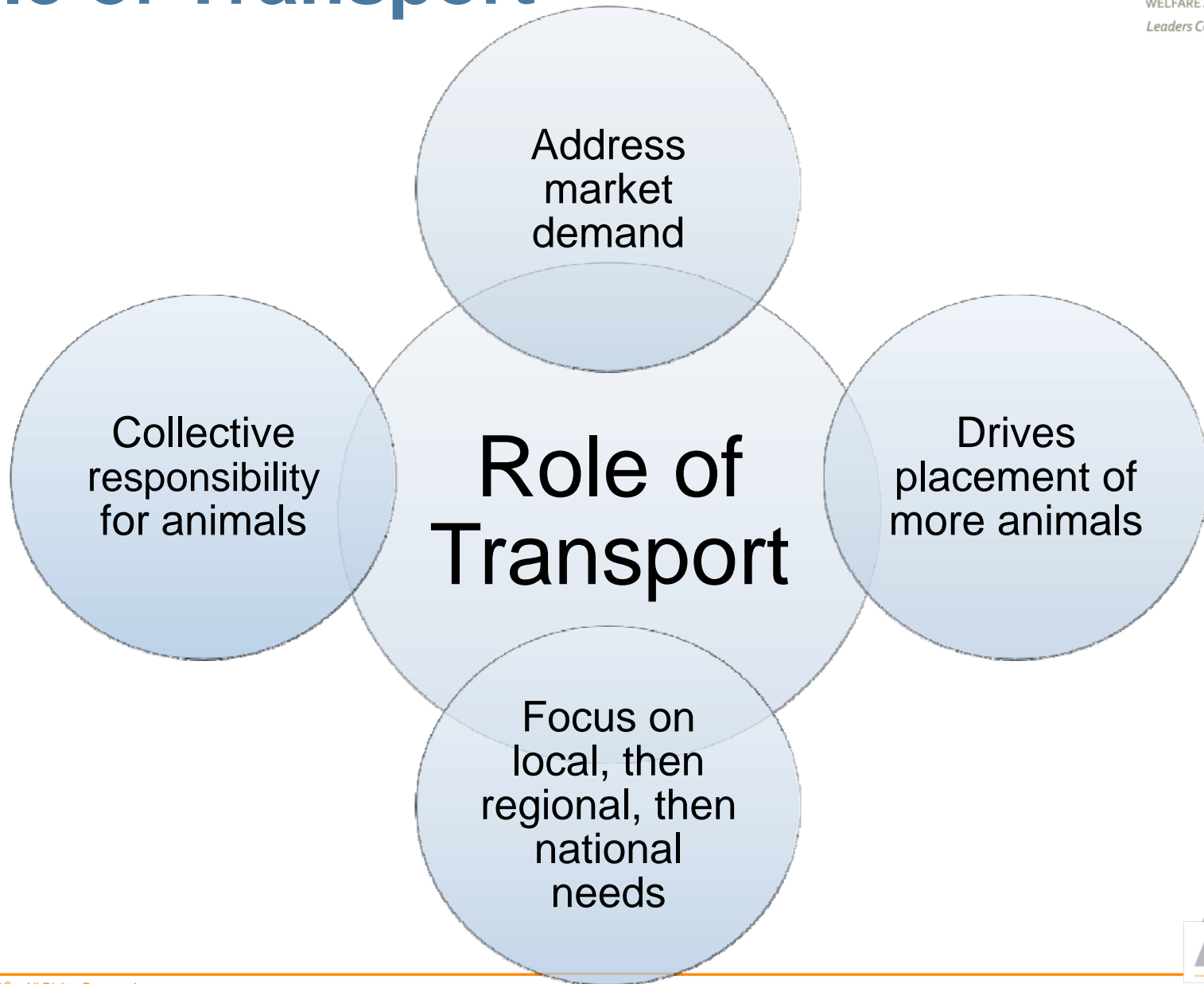
... if your organization currently
participates in a transport program.

Poll Question 2

Which best describes your organization?

- a) Source agency
- b) Destination agency
- c) Source and Destination agency
- d) Neither yet, just interested in transports

Role of Transport



Transport Best Practice Goals



Foster open relationships between
source and destination agencies

Transport Best Practice Goals



Improve the quality of transfers –
minimizing animal stress and disease transmission

Transport Best Practice Goals

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No dog, cat, or other animal may be transported by air without a USDA regulated transportation label issued by a licensed transporter.

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ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

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CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH EXAMINATION
FOR SMALL ANIMALS

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1. TYPE OF ANIMAL SHIPPED (select one)
☐ Dog ☐ Cat ☐ Other
☐ Nonhuman Primate ☐ Ferret

3. TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS

5. NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF OWNER (CONSIGNOR)

6. NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF ADDRESSEE

USDA License/or Registration Number (if applicable)

7. ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION

NAME, AND/OR TATTOO NUMBER OR OTHER IDENTIFICATION	BREED - COMMON OR SCIENTIFIC NAME	AGE	SEX	COLOR OR DISTINCTIVE MARKS OR MICROCHIP
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				

8. PERTINENT INFORMATION

RABIES VACCINATION
☐ 1 YEAR ☐ 2 YEARS ☐ 3 YEARS
Vaccination Date

Ensure that transport programs **meet or exceed** local, state and federal regulations pertaining to public health and animal safety

Transport Best Practice Goals



Promote transfer best practices

Transport Best Practice Goals



Collect data on transports

Models for Transport

Agency to Agency



Third Party Aggregator

Shelter Aggregator (aka "hub and spoke" model)



Volunteer Transport

Key Considerations



Your agency's motivations for transport

Key Considerations



Impact on/capacity of your **agency**

Key Considerations



Impact on/capacity of your **community**

Key Considerations



Outcomes for animals

Key Considerations



Partnership capacity between
source and destination agencies

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER PROGRAMS

1. Establish Solid Relationships

MOU's should include:

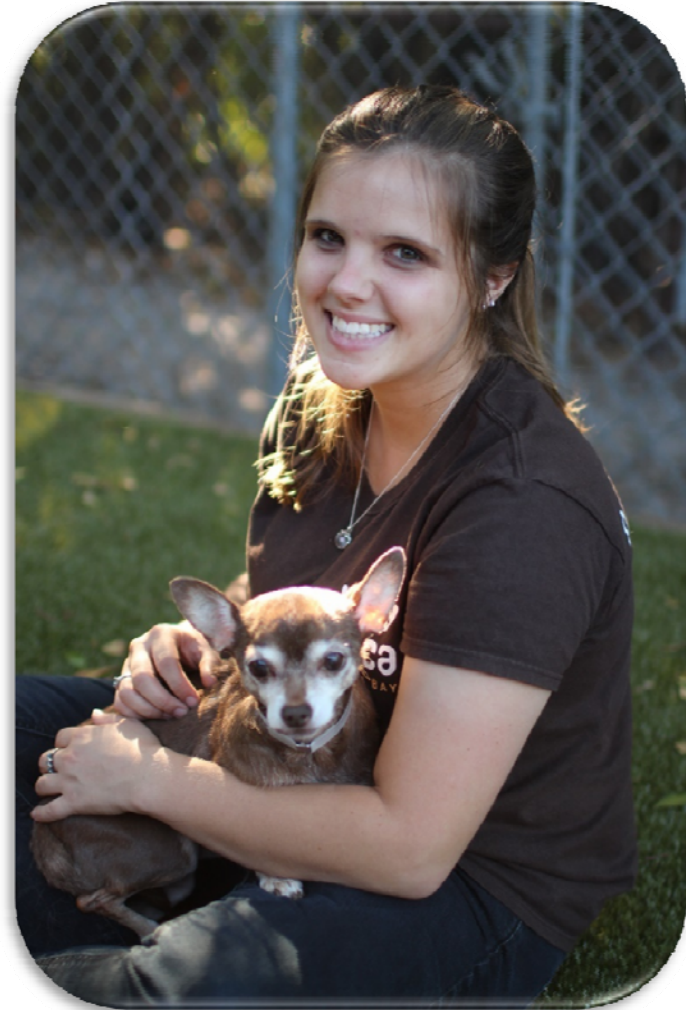
- ✓ Disease concerns specific to local or geographic regions
- ✓ Each agency's capacity for providing medical treatment
- ✓ Outcomes and returns: who is responsible if an animal is not placeable?



2. Agency Designation

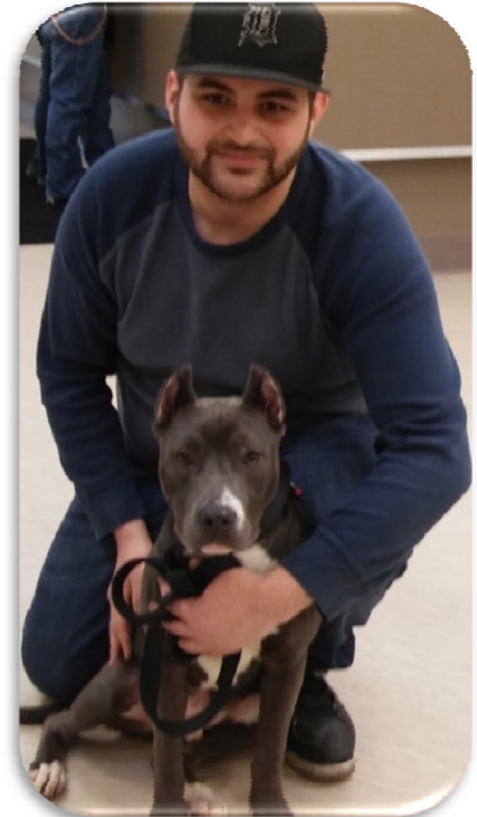


Municipal Agency



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3. Short and Long Term Impact



4. Source Agency Must Have

Agency Need:

Space and/or other resource constraints that reduce options for adoptable animals

Medical Support:

Professional veterinary staff or partnerships with veterinary staff to provide pre-transport assessments

Strong Leadership:

Senior staff committed to transfer program and cultivation of transfer partnerships

Legal Compliance:

Comply with all state and local laws

Humane standards of care must be afforded to every animal being transported

5. Destination Agency Must Have

Community Need:

Community demand for dogs, puppies, cats or kittens



Capacity and Space:

Capacity and space available for care; will not euthanize for lack of these items



Strong Infrastructure:

Have strong infrastructure to support transported animals



Legal Compliance:

Comply with all state and local laws



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Transport Resources

- [SAWA Companion Animal Transport Best Practices](#)
- [Exhibit B Transport Census Spreadsheet](#)
- [Exhibit C Funding Transport Cost Estimation](#)

[ASPCApro.org/transport](#) – webinar resources:

- Slides
- Glossary
- **NEW:** Checklist

Answer in the Chat

From what you've heard today about transport best practices...

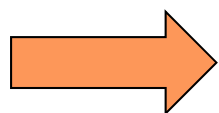
What's one action you will take in the next 30 days?

Questions?



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