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## **ANIMAL PLANET GREENLIGHTS PRODUCTION OF DOCU-SERIES PENN VET (WT)**

(Silver Spring, Md.) Animal Planet announced today it is in production of an all-new series, **PENN VET (WT)**, produced for the network by High Noon Entertainment. **PENN VET** features the first ever behind the scenes look at the University of Pennsylvania's highly competitive veterinary school. With unprecedented access, Animal Planet will shadow fourth year students as they complete this demanding and difficult program while learning from pioneers of veterinary medicine. **PENN VET** is set to premiere this year.

"Vet students driven by a mission to heal and protect animals take everything they've learned and put it to the test in this series" said Rich Ross, Group President of Discovery Channel, Animal Planet and Science Channel. "Penn Vet will give our viewers a front row seat to this journey."

**PENN VET** will feature students with diverse backgrounds and goals as they handle a wide range of cases, at both Ryan Hospital for companion animals, in Philadelphia, and New Bolton Center hospital for large animals in Kennett Square, PA. With the animal's lives on the line, **PENN VET** showcases the rigorous training of veterinary students as they face the day-to-day challenges inherent in this high pressure world.

With more than 30,000 patient visits a year and species ranging from dogs, cats, guinea pigs, iguanas to horses, cows, zebras and goats, the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine is home to two internationally renowned teaching hospitals with some of the largest caseloads in the world. Penn Vet established the first-ever facility for the care of critically injured large animals, the first state-of-the-art minimally invasive surgery suite, the first recovery pool for equine orthopedic surgeries the world's first animal bloodmobile.

**PENN VET (WT)** is produced for Animal Planet by High Noon Entertainment where Jim Berger, Scott Feeley, Sarah Presta and Michael Call serve as executive producers. For Animal Planet, Dawn Sinsel is executive producer, Krishna San Nicolas is producer and Meredith Russell is associate producer.

**About Animal Planet**

Animal Planet, a multi-media business unit of Discovery Communications, is the world's only entertainment brand that immerses viewers in the full range of life in the animal kingdom with rich, deep content via multiple platforms and offers animal lovers and pet owners access to a centralized online, television and mobile community for immersive, engaging, high-quality entertainment, information and enrichment. Animal Planet consists of the Animal Planet television network, available in more than 94 million homes in the US; online assets [www.animalplanet.com](http://www.animalplanet.com), the ultimate online destination for all things animal; Animal Planet L!VE, the go-to digital destination for round-the-clock, unfiltered access to the animal kingdom; and other media platforms including a robust Video-on-Demand (VOD) service, and merchandising extensions.