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Bio Summary

Dr. Jeff Bender is a veterinarian and public health practitioner with 20 years of post-graduate experience and has directed and collaborated on a broad range of research and surveillance projects pertaining to infectious and zoonotic diseases (i.e. influenza, foodborne diseases, antimicrobial resistant organisms). His research is multidisciplinary, collaborating with government, industry, and commodity organizations. He is a Professor in the School of Public Health and an adjunct professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine. He is the Director for the USAID funded One Health Workforce Project, a workforce development program focused on preventing, detecting, and responding to emerging pandemic threats. In addition, he is a Co-Director of the Upper Midwest Agriculture Safety and Health Center (UMASH), a Center focused on improving the health of agriculture workers and their families. His primary teaching and research interests include infection prevention, disease surveillance, emerging zoonotic diseases, occupational safety, food safety and antimicrobial resistance.

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