

Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association

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Dr. Joni Scheftel graduated from the University of Minnesota, College of Veterinary Medicine in 1982 and joined a mixed practice in Watertown, Minnesota. In 2001, after nearly 20 years in practice, she earned an MPH in Environmental Microbiology from the University of Minnesota, School of Public Health. Dr. Scheftel currently serves as State Public Health Veterinarian and supervises the Zoonotic Diseases Unit at the Minnesota Department of Health. She is responsible for zoonotic disease surveillance and zoonotic disease outbreak investigation. Dr. Scheftel serves as a liaison between the Department of Health and Minnesota's animal agriculture agencies for issues involving human health and animal health. Dr. Scheftel chaired the AVMA Steering Committee for FDA Policy on Veterinary Oversight of Antimicrobials, which worked with FDA from 2011 to 2015 on the Veterinary Feed Directive, and she currently serves as Vice-chair on the AVMA Council on Public Health and Regulatory Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Scheftel lives with her husband in an old schoolhouse in western Carver County.

MVMA Awards:

Distinguished Service Award – 2008

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