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Jonna's deep commitment to wildlife conservation, both on land and in the sea, was apparent even as a young veterinary student at UC Davis. The importance of population health and disease transmission for wildlife conservation compelled her to complete the MPVM program. Afterwards, how did she end-up doing research on the effect of oil on mink, leading the Oiled Wildlife Care Network and founding the world renowned One Health Institute at UC Davis? Even more curiously, how does a love of wildlife prepare a veterinarian to lead a global effort to predict emerging pandemics?



Tyrell Kahan, DVM, MDP, DACVPM – Livestock Research Advisor, Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

For 5 years after completing his DVM from the University of Florida, Tyrell was in private practice and worked for Banfield Animal Hospital. He loved his clinical work with dogs, cats and goats. However, his international experience in Haiti as an undergraduate had inspired a longstanding interest in working in global health that he wanted to explore. Hear the compelling story of Tyrell's journey that led to his current position as a Livestock Research Advisor in the Bureau for Resilience and Food Security at USAID where he provides technical assistance to programs that strengthen livestock production systems around the world.



Robyn Stoddard, DVM, PhD – Microbiologist, Bacterial Special Pathogens Branch, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

As a veterinary student at UC Davis, Robyn was interested in research but thought she would explore small animal practice after graduation. After a short stint in practice, she was ready to consider other options and found her passion for marine mammals led her to investigating antimicrobial resistant bacteria in elephant seals. But how did she end-up on the front-line of the Ebola epidemic in West Africa and continuing to work to improve the diagnosis of zoonotic disease in Uganda and Ethiopia?