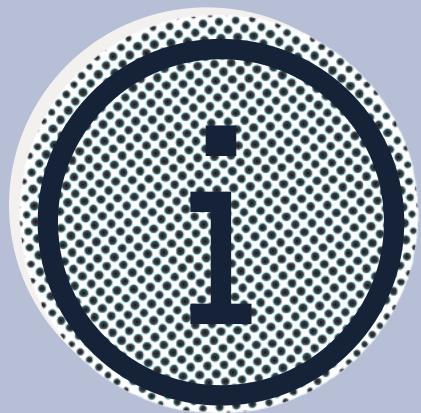


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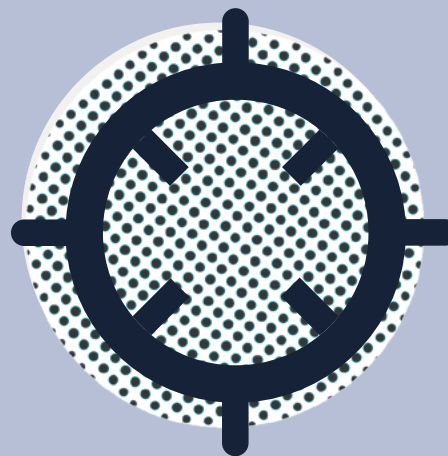
Recognize zoonoses in your practice



Become familiar with zoonoses and their trends



Recognize patient exposure and risk factors



Explore up-to-date resources to support clinical practice

Front-line health care providers play a key role in responding to zoonotic diseases.

Health professionals contribute to disease prevention, surveillance, and control measures for zoonotic infectious diseases. Staying informed about zoonotic disease trends support early recognition, diagnosis and prompt and adequate management.

Humans and animals have shared a complex and dynamic relationship, reflected in the unique bonds and interactions that connect us, with our health and the health of animals and the environment being deeply interconnected. As a natural part of this relationship, humans and animals are at risk of transmitting microorganisms to one another, some of which can be pathogenic.^{1,2}

Zoonoses are commonly spread at the human-animal-environment interface, where people and animals coexist in shared environments, allowing transmission through direct and/or indirect contact.³

Zoonotic events such as the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2002–2004 SARS outbreak, the 2009 H1N1 pandemic, and the 2022 mpox outbreak demonstrate the impact of zoonoses on human health and the pressure they place on healthcare systems.⁴

As global environmental and societal changes drive evolving zoonotic disease risks, staying informed about zoonoses is increasingly important. Keeping pace with these changing threats strengthens prevention, timely detection, management, and response in health practice.

Zoonoses
Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (ZIDs)

Diseases that spread between animals and humans, with causal agents being pathogenic microorganisms such as viruses, bacteria, fungi, or parasites.