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**NYC’s Animal Medical Center Strengthens Leadership Team with Appointment of Associate Chief Medical Officer**

*Board Certified, Longtime Head of Neurology Dr. Chad West Brings Medical Excellence to Newly Created Role*

*Dr. West Will Continue to Lead the Neurology Service While Assuming Additional Administrative Responsibilities*

(New York, N.Y. – November 17, 2020) The Animal Medical Center (AMC), the world’s largest non-profit animal hospital, today announced the appointment of Chad West, DVM, DACVIM (Neurology), as Associate Chief Medical Officer. In this new role, Dr. West will provide medical leadership and work to align clinical and administrative priorities.

Dr. West, the hospital’s longtime Head of Neurology, most recently served as Chairman of Surgical Services. A neurologist and neurosurgeon with over 15 years of experience, Dr. West enjoys developing non-surgical treatment plans for complex neurological conditions, as well as performing and teaching advanced neurosurgical procedures when surgery is necessary. In addition to his clinical duties as the Head of Neurology, Dr. West will provide governance, guidance, medical oversight, and direction to AMC’s 113 veterinarians. A current MBA candidate slated to receive his degree in the spring of 2021 from the University of Nebraska, Dr. West brings a strong business acumen to his administrative duties.

“Dr. West has been an integral part of the medical leadership team over the years and made significant contributions to the growth of Animal Medical Center’s world-class academic and research programs,” said Kathryn Coyne, President and Chief Executive Officer of AMC. “I am confident in Dr. West’s ongoing efforts to enhance patient care and I congratulate him on his appointment.”

“Dr. West is an experienced clinician, researcher, educator, and a passionate veterinary leader who is committed to AMC’s mission and values,” said Katherine Quesenberry, DVM, MPH, DABVP (Avian), Chief Medical Officer at AMC. “In his 15 years at AMC, Dr. West has built a world-class Neurology Service and developed some of the most advanced procedures and treatments in veterinary medicine. He is respected by staff, beloved by his patients and clients, and will make tremendous contributions in this new capacity.”

“I am deeply honored to have been a part of the Animal Medical Center family for the past 15 years,” said Dr. West. “I look forward to working alongside Dr. Quesenberry to deliver the best and most advanced clinical care for our patients.”

Dr. West completed a rotating internship at the Animal Medical Center, followed by a residency in neurology and neurosurgery at Washington State University, under the tutelage of Dr. Rod Bagley. At the

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time, Washington State University was the only veterinary school to have in-house MRI capabilities solely for animal imaging. Dr. West has been a staff neurologist at the Animal Medical Center since 2005 when he became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in Neurology.

## **About Animal Medical Center**

The Animal Medical Center (AMC) is the world's largest non-profit animal hospital with 100+ veterinarians providing the highest quality medical care across more than 20 specialties and services, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our mission to provide the best in care, research, and education has been the foundation of our work for over a century. As we mark our 110th anniversary, we are launching the Gift of Love campaign to ensure we are here for our pets for the next century, and beyond. Learn more at [www.amcny.org/giftoflove](http://www.amcny.org/giftoflove).

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