### Prevent Zoonoses

#### Remember W.A.S.H.

**A**void

#### FOR PEOPLE

- **Avoid disease vectors**
  - Mosquitoes, ticks, and fleas can transfer diseases from animals to people
  - Avoid vector areas (tall grass, wooded areas) and peak activity times (dusk, dawn)

- **Avoid wild animals**
  - Wild animals can transfer diseases to your animals and to you

#### FOR PETS

- **Avoid disease vectors**
  - Have your pet checked by your veterinarian for external parasites (e.g., ticks, fleas)

- **Avoid wild animals**
  - Keep pets away from wild animals

#### FOR LIVESTOCK/POULTRY

- **Avoid disease vectors**
  - Check animals for external parasites (e.g., ticks, mites, lice)
  - Implement vector control programs on your farm

- **Avoid wild animals**
  - Reduce contact with wildlife (e.g., feral swine, deer, waterfowl)
  - Keep scavengers (e.g., rodents, birds) out of animal feed and areas

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For more information, talk with your veterinarian and visit [www.cfsph.iastate.edu/zoonoses](http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/zoonoses)