



## Inspection Report

Save The Chimps Inc  
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Customer ID: **13609**  
Certificate: **58-C-0706**  
Site: 001  
SAVE THE CHIMPS INC

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 05-FEB-2019

### 2.40(a)(1) CRITICAL

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

At the time of inspection, the facility did not have a written Program of Veterinary Care. Since the departure of their two full-time veterinarians in August/September of 2018, veterinary care has been provided through part-time contract veterinarians. Each exhibitor shall employ an attending veterinarian under formal arrangements. In the case of a part-time attending veterinarian or consultant arrangements, the formal arrangements shall include a written program of veterinary care.

Correct by: 02-28-2019

### 2.40(b)(2) CRITICAL

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

"Nigida," a 26 year old male chimpanzee, was injured on 12-09-18. A review of medical records indicated that he had an open fracture of the toe with bone exposure, pain, clear signs of infection, and he was observed chewing at the bone. The medical records indicated the "toe was dangling" and a veterinarian did not see the animal until 12-11-18. On 12-11-18, the veterinarian stated that the toe would likely "come off on its own." Intermittent antibiotics and pain meds were given, but no further treatments were administered. The medical records indicated that as late as 1-4-19 the wound "reopened" and had still not healed. Failure to provide adequate veterinary care for wounds can lead to unnecessary pain, infection, and/or prolonged healing of wounds.

Review of medical records, meeting records, and other communications demonstrate a lack of adequate veterinary care for a 13 year old female chimpanzee named "Tiffany." Tiffany arrived at the facility on April 18th, 2018. The medical records repeatedly documented anorexia (lack of interest in food, not eating enough chow, and/or not eating enough calories) for over three months from 4/18/2018-7/28/2018. No diagnostics were done during that time period, and no treatments were given prior to 6/26/18 except for one dose of an anti-anxiety medication on 4/23/18. Tiffany was sedated for diagnostics on 7/28/19 when the veterinarian documented a concern regarding Tiffany's condition. The animal was euthanized on 8/19/2018 after continued anorexia and intermittent vomiting and diarrhea.

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Limited veterinary involvement and failure to use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat Tiffany's condition demonstrates a failure to maintain a program of adequate veterinary care.

Each exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency care.

Correct from this day forward.

### 3.81

#### ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENT TO PROMOTE PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING.

At the time of inspection, the facility did not have a documented Environment Enhancement Plan. Exhibitors must develop, document, and follow an appropriate plan for environment enhancement adequate to promote the psychological well-being of nonhuman primates. The written Environment Enhancement Plan must be made available for inspection.

Correct by: 02-28-2019

### 3.82(a)

#### FEEDING.

A 22 year old male chimpanzee named "Tuffy" has visual evidence of body weight loss, lean body condition, and muscle mass loss. Food logs from May 2018 through October 2018 indicate Tuffy's main diet was "human food" which consisted of items such as pancakes and syrup, donuts, pie, other sugared bread items, soda, pizza, Funions, and coffee. Food items with high nutritive value, such as the protein shakes, were restricted to training use only. From April through August 2018, Tuffy's body weight dropped from 154 pounds to 137.5 pounds. He has not been weighed since August 2018. During this inspection, staff indicated that he looked like he had been losing weight for approximately 4 weeks. He has an undernourished appearance and has had intermittent episodes of withdrawn behavior. The facility has not provided a diet of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain Tuffy in a healthful condition and weight range.

The diet for nonhuman primates must be appropriate for the species, size, age, and condition of the animal, and for the conditions in which the nonhuman primate is maintained, according to generally accepted professional and husbandry practices and nutritional standards. It must be of sufficient quantity and have sufficient nutritive value to maintain a healthful condition and weight range of the animal and to meet its normal daily nutritional requirements.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

### Additional Inspectors

Mckinnie Carolyn, Supervisory Animal Care Specialist

Maginnis Gwendalyn, Veterinary Medical Officer

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## Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
13609	58-C-0706	001	SAVE THE CHIMPS INC	05-FEB-19

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000240	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	CHIMPANZEE
<b>000240</b>	<b>Total</b>	