

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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### **Inspection Report**

City of Emporia P O BOX 928 EMPORIA, KS 66801 Customer ID: 4090

Certificate: **48-C-0169** 

Site: 001

City of Emporia

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 18-MAY-2023

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#### Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

The care of two animals involved inadequate daily observation and/or insufficient communication with the Attending Veterinarian (AV).

--The male raccoon (DOB 10/1/2010) was first noticed to have hair loss on his tail on 12/20/2022. The facility communicated with the AV on both 12/20 and 12/21. Instructions to the facility from the AV were to check for fleas and use a cortisone cream on the skin. There were no daily observations recorded to assess this medical problem (including whether the cream was applied) noted in daily care sheets from 12/22 to 12/27. On 12/28 the daily care sheets noted that the problem was progressing because the area of hair loss had doubled, and the skin was deep red. The AV saw the raccoon on 12/28 and directed oral medications be started and scheduled an exam with sedation for 1/3. From 12/29 to 1/3, daily care noted that the oral medications were given every day, but daily observations were only noted twice. On 1/3/2023, the instructions from the AV were to continue the oral medications until finished and to continue to monitor the raccoon's condition. Daily care sheets documented that daily observation of the problem had occurred on 10 days between 1/3 and 1/30 despite progression of the problem as noted by increased hair loss and fresh blood seen occasionally during this time. The facility communicated with the AV regarding the animal's condition again on 1/30/2023. Since then, daily observations were inconsistently recorded but do show evidence of improvement. However, an entry on

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2/8/2023 noted the tail was still raw and red and an entry on 3/21/2023 noted a flare-up of the tail's condition. The AV was not notified when the condition deteriorated or that the overall condition was persisting this long after initial onset. The daily care sheets also noted daily observation of limping with this same raccoon on 4/12 to 4/14/2023 and on 4/18/2023. (No daily observations noted on 4/15 to 4/17). The AV was not contacted about this animal's limping.

--The male cougar (DOB 9/20/2013) was noted in the daily care sheets to have either decreased or no food consumption on 10 of the 16 days between 2/22/23 and 3/10/23. Regurgitation of food was also noted on 3/2/2023. The facility did not communicate with the AV about this cougar's decreased appetite or regurgitation.

--Failure to communicate medical problems to a veterinarian can result in unresolved medical issues and prolonged discomfort or pain. Inconsistent daily observations of animals undergoing medical treatment make it challenging for the entire caretaker team and veterinarian to evaluate the treatment plan. The facility representative must observe all animals daily and then ensure a mechanism of direct and frequent communication with a veterinarian so that timely and accurate information on problems of health, behavior, and well-being are conveyed. To be corrected 26 May 2023.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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## **Species Inspected**

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000002	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000002 000002	Lama glama Eulemur coronatus	LLAMA CROWNED LEMUR
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