



About us

Dr. Deborah McCauley and Dr. Gretchen Kaufman Founders

Dr. McCauley is a wildlife veterinarian and has been involved with wildlife disease surveillance, wildlife capture and immobilization, field surgery, field research, disease prevention and response. She founded VIEW in response to the growing threat of disease transmitted by domestic animals and humans to endangered wildlife.

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The
missing piece
of conservation

A Focus on Nepal

Nepal, with 30 million people, is rich in wildlife biodiversity, once abundant but now threatened by substantial human development and global climate change. In addition, the close association between human development and wildlife in ever shrinking habitats creates opportunities for diseases to flow between these groups and across the landscapes that connect them.

Health threats for Nepal's wildlife, even the most iconic animals such as the tiger and rhino, are not well understood and the impact for sustainable populations of endangered species is not known. Threats on wildlife health cannot be addressed with current country resources. Increased capacity for disease surveillance must be developed in order to document health status, to understand disease transmission and to recognize and respond effectively to disease outbreaks in sensitive species.



VIEW is concentrating on the crucial need in Nepal for stronger wildlife health capacity. **VIEW's efforts are empowering Nepalese wildlife professionals** with facilities, tools and skills to implement a wildlife health program that can investigate disease in wild animals, can respond to ill and injured individuals, and together with conservation leaders can implement policies that reduce risk and protect fragile populations.

The Missing Piece

We believe that **HEALTH** is the missing piece of global conservation strategy. Tremendous efforts have been made to protect critical habitat and reduce wildlife trade and poaching. If we don't also make sure that the species we are protecting are healthy, then these efforts will not succeed.



VIEW is the only conservation organization focused solely on the urgent need to address health threats as part of a comprehensive strategy for protecting endangered wildlife.

Our mission is to protect endangered wildlife by tackling the health threats they face in their native habitats.

VIEW envisions a world where all countries have the commitment and local capacity to support wildlife health as a cornerstone of conservation.



VIEW's Approach

We support locally sustainable wildlife disease investigation, prevention and treatment by providing training, building infrastructure, conducting research and promoting policies that ensure healthy environments for wildlife and the people and domestic animals that share their habitat.

Training. VIEW conducts workshops and training for local wildlife veterinarians and managers to equip them with the skills needed to ensure healthy wildlife.

Infrastructure. VIEW helps to create and maintain local field facilities, so that disease investigation and wildlife care are possible and sustainable.

Research. VIEW targets its investigation to better understand and respond to wildlife health risks for endangered wildlife population recovery.