

## 2012 Veterinary Science CDE Scenario Questions

### **Scenario #1:**

A local newspaper contacted you regarding the following statement made by the AVMA. The reporter would like your opinion regarding antibiotic use in food animals. Write a persuasive letter on the issue below to portray your point of view using the provided resource.

*Healthy animals make healthy food, and veterinarians are on the frontlines when it comes to keeping our nation's food supply safe. Antimicrobial use and antimicrobial resistance are hot issues in the news right now, and there's a lot of confusion and misinformation in the media and on the Internet. Advances in animal health care and management have greatly improved food safety over the years and have reduced the need for antimicrobials in food production systems. Nevertheless, antimicrobials are an important part of the veterinarian's toolkit, and veterinarians agree that they should be used judiciously and in the best interest of animal health and public health.*

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### **Scenario #2:**

Obesity has rapidly become an epidemic for our pets. New research shows that 25 to 40 percent of dogs and cats who visit a veterinary clinic are overweight or obese. In addition, the incidence of overweight or obesity in our pets appears to be on the rise. Acting as a technician write a brief client education sheet on how you would explain the risks of an obese pet to a pet owner.