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Registration Opens for First Online Course

San Jose, California, USA – Registration for the first IWRC online course, *Preventive Medicine and Enrichment: Wildlife Wellness Program*, opened today.

This first online offering, scheduled to take place on June 20 and 27, 2006, aims to establish the importance of preventive medicine and enrichment in wildlife rehabilitation as well as introduce the concept of a "wildlife wellness" program. Developed and taught by Lucy Spelman, DVM, this course is intended for both rehabilitators and educators who care for wildlife in captivity for 30 days or more.

IWRC online courses are taught by live instructors, just like traditional classroom training but without the travel and related demands on time and finances. All students need is a computer, access to the Internet, and a telephone. Archived recordings of each class are available for those who have scheduling conflicts (including international students), concerns about slow or unstable Internet connections, or just want to review the material covered. IWRC's newly designed website allows students to view the course offerings and descriptions, register, and download the syllabus and study materials.

Preventive Medicine and Enrichment: Wildlife Wellness Program is an IWRC advanced course—students must have completed the IWRC Basic Wildlife Rehabilitation class or passed the Basic Rehabilitation Proficiency Exam prior to enrollment. Registration will stay open until the course is filled. Class size is limited so don't delay! Visit www.iwrc-online.org for more information.