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Dr. Ziccardi received his DVM, MPVM, and PhD in epidemiology from UC Davis, emphasizing free-ranging wildlife health and the effects of petroleum exposure in wildlife. He has been an oil spill response veterinarian and coordinator since 1996, responding to more than 50 spills in the US and abroad, including as the Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Group Leader for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010. He has worked as a contract veterinarian for California Department of Fish and Game, a wildlife epidemiologist at Lincoln Park Zoo in Chicago, and an Associate Professor of Clinical Wildlife Health and Co-Director of UC Davis' Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center for UC Davis' School of Veterinary Medicine. He currently serves as Chair of the Global Oiled Wildlife Response System project (funded by OSRL), outgoing Chair of NOAA's Working Group on Marine Mammal Unusual Mortality Events and is a Committee Member on the National Academies "Oil in the Sea IV" consensus study revision. His current positions for UC Davis are Executive Director of the One Health Institute, Director of the Oiled Wildlife Care Network, Director of the newly-formed California Veterinary Emergency Team, and Health Science Clinical Professor.