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Niagara Falls
2016 CVMA Convention

July 7 to 10, 2016
Scotiabank Convention Centre
Niagara Falls, ON

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PRESIDENT’S WELCOME

Join us at the 2016 Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) convention from July 7 to 10, and be dazzled by the beauty and grandeur of Niagara Falls.

This is a new destination for the 2016 Convention and Canada’s veterinary profession. The splendour of the Falls notwithstanding, this destination offers great meeting space, abundant award-winning restaurants and wineries, theatre, shopping, nightlife and more. Guests will stay at the Sheraton on the Falls Hotel, one of the largest and most luxurious Fallsview hotels. The negotiated room rates of $159 and $209 offer cost savings to make the convention even more affordable for everyone.

With a short drive from Toronto or Hamilton airports, shuttle bus arrangements have been arranged with reduced rates offering savings and ease of travel. Online shuttle arrangements can be made after reserving your flight.

The 2016 CVMA Convention, presented in collaboration with the Registered Veterinary Technologists and Technicians of Canada (RVTTTC), offers over 118 hours of continuing education sessions, labs and workshops. There is CE for the entire veterinary team at the CVMA convention.

Consider attending the CVMA flagship programs – the CVMA Summit and CVMA’s Emerging Leaders Program (ELP). Summit speakers will be looking at further developing a Pan-Canadian Framework for veterinary oversight on the use of antimicrobials in animals and the impact on the veterinary profession.

The CVMA Emerging Leaders Program is an opportunity for CVMA members to rejuvenate their work and personal life with dynamic sessions facilitated by Dr. Rick DeBowes. This experience will dramatically influence your work and personal goals for a nominal registration fee.

After three days of learning, I invite you to attend the Mardi Gras party at Niagara’s Edgewaters Restaurant, a property managed by the Niagara Parks Commission. The outside terrace offers a magnificent setting overlooking both the American and Canadian Falls. With the flavours of Niagara to savour, and the energy and fun of Mardi Gras, you don’t want to miss this networking event.

There is much to learn, see and do in Niagara Falls! I look forward to welcoming you there.

Dr. Nicole Gallant
President, Canadian Veterinary Medical Association
Greetings from the Registered Veterinary Technologists and Technicians of Canada (RVTTC)!

As the national association representing the veterinary technology profession across Canada, RVTTC invites all RVTs to attend the 2016 CVMA Convention. Without your passion for animal welfare and your dedication to continuing education, the veterinary sector would appear very different than it does today.

We believe that when veterinarians and RVTs work together in continuing their education, they ultimately augment the lives of the patients they care for, and improve animal welfare on a global level.

We are excited to announce that the 2016 CVMA convention promises to be the best yet! In an effort to improve continuing education opportunities for the entire veterinary healthcare team, all convention lectures, including the popular CVMA Emerging Leader program, will be open to RVTs.

The convention offers over 118 CE credits of which more than 80% are relevant for RVT’s so you can earn up to 28 CE credits. Over 35 speakers will present sessions in companion and large animal, ruminant, equine, bovine, practice management and animal welfare tracks. Disciplines include dentistry, soft issue surgery, anesthesia and pain management, dermatology and more.

On Thursday, July 7, take advantage of lectures and/or labs dealing with CPR and emergency procedures being taught by expert veterinary technician specialist and educator David Liss, BA, RVT, VTS (ECC, SAIM), CVPM. David has worked for many years in general practice and emergency facilities.

The CVMA convention also promises to be a great avenue for delegates to re-connect with RVTTC and to find out what 2016 will have in store for RVTs across Canada.

We will be hosting a booth in the Exhibit Hall so you can meet some of the faces behind our national association and to find out how you can showcase the RVTs profession by displaying an “RVT on Site” decal to your veterinary establishment window.

Another highlight at the convention is the awards luncheon on Thursday, July 7 where RVTTC will be presenting the coveted “RVT of the year” award. Hope to see you there!

Jody Lynn Carrick, RVT
President, Registered Veterinary Technicians and Technologists of Canada
We look forward to welcoming you to Niagara Falls, Ontario for the first time in the 68-year history of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association’s (CVMA) Convention! This new destination boasts attractions that will take your breath away!

The CVMA Professional Development Committee has created an exciting and enriching educational program not only for you, but for your veterinary team. The 2016 scientific program (Friday to Sunday) includes more than 35 highly-rated speakers from Canada and the United States who will discuss topics ranging from anesthesia and pain management to ophthalmology, and from soft tissue surgery to dermatology.

The convention’s program was reviewed and approved by the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) Registry of Approved Continuing Education (RACE) program to offer 118 potential CE Credits to veterinarians (28 per individual) and 112 CE Credits to veterinary technicians (28 per individual).

Thursday, July 7 offers hands-on learning options. Veterinarians can take basic or advanced dental labs offered by Dr. Brook Niemiec, as well as a diagnostic and therapeutic procedures workshop geared to feline patients by Dr. Susan Little. RVTs can experience a full day of lectures and workshops addressing emergency procedures and CPR offered by David Liss, double board certified RVT from California.

One of CVMA’s strategic priorities focuses on the need for veterinary professionals to have a successful career with life balance. Dr. Allen Schoen will be offering six sessions focusing on ways to help improve your professional and personal life. On Monday, July 11, he is facilitating a one-day retreat which will offer in-depth, advanced experiences of relaxation, mindfulness, calmness and self-care. Take advantage of this unique opportunity and bring along other team or family members.

We welcome the Board members of the Registered Veterinary Technologists and Technicians of Canada (RVTTC) who will hold a two-day meeting in Niagara Falls and whose members will be attending exciting CE sessions.

We look forward to seeing you at the Mardi Gras party where you will enjoy great food and wine with entertainment including magic, fortune telling, caricature sketching and dancing!

These are just some of the exciting activities waiting for you in Niagara Falls this July. We look forward to meeting you!

Dr. Sue McTaggart  
Chair, Professional Development Committee

Dr. Cheryl Yuill  
2016 Local Convention Chair
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Niagara, Ontario is one of the most attractive four-season destinations in the world. From the sheer spectacle of Niagara Falls to the region’s renowned wine country, from its rich history to its beautiful parks and hiking and biking trails, Niagara overflows with things to see and do. We invite you to visit and spend a few days to explore and to delight in the discoveries that await you around every corner. Discover the attractions, wineries and beauty by visiting the Tourism Niagara Falls website www.tourismniagara.com

ACCOMMODATIONS AND TRAVEL

NOTICE: The CVMA has learned that other national associations based in Ottawa have had housing agencies presenting themselves as hotel booking agents for the association’s convention and contacted delegates and exhibitors to solicit hotel reservations.

CVMA does not authorize any housing company or travel agent to place hotel reservations on its behalf. We encourage attendees to book their hotel rooms online in the CVMA reserved block or by phone. Should a housing agent contact you, please call CVMA 1-800-567-2862.

Hotel

Sheraton on the Falls
5875 Falls Avenue
Niagara Falls, ON

City view room
$159/night for July 5 – 8, and July 10;
$239/night for July 9

Falls view room
$209/night for July 5 – 8, and July 10;
$299/night for July 9

A Resort Services Package of $9.95 (plus tax) will be added per room, per day. The package includes Wi-Fi access with endless devices; unlimited long distance calls from your room to anywhere in the USA or Canada; unlimited local calls; two bottles of water per day; in-room Starbucks coffee and Tazo tea; Globe and Mail newspaper (not Sunday); unlimited access to Sheraton Fitness by Core Performance; printing of boarding passes and two 24-hour WEGO passes (WEGO blue line runs from the hotel to the Scotiabank Convention Centre).

The Sheraton is a modern AAA/CAA 2015 rated 4 Diamond/5 Star hotel located directly across from the Falls in the heart of Niagara’s premier Falls view tourist district. Situated on the corner of Clifton Hill and Falls Avenue on the 20 acre Falls Avenue Resort, the Niagara Falls Sheraton is the cornerstone of the largest indoor waterpark, hotel and entertainment resort in North America.

To make your hotel reservation, please call the Reservations Department at 1-800-519-9911 or visit www.canadianveterinarians.net and make your reservation online.
Travel
If you require assistance with travel arrangements, please contact CVMA’s official travel agency, Vision Travel Solutions. Contact Mary Lynch at mary.lynch@visiontravel.ca or call 1-800-267-9676 ext. 3351.

Air Travel
Experiencing all that Niagara has to offer is easy. Niagara Falls is located just a short 1 1/2 hour drive from Toronto, linking us with the rest of the world (Toronto’s Pearson International Airport). For those traveling from the United States, crossing any of the three bridges in this area, Queenston Lewiston, Rainbow Bridge and Peace Bridge, will bring you right into the heart of what our region has to offer. When getting here is so easy, there’s no excuse not to start planning your Niagara getaway today.

Shuttle Service (Niagara Airbus)
To book a shuttle from the airport, go to www.niagaraairbus.com and follow these steps:
1. Enter the discount code 328.
2. Have dates of travel handy.
3. Airline and flight number.
4. Hotel name where you will be staying in Niagara (Sheraton on the Falls).
5. Valid credit card number, expiry date and CVV security code.

A discounted rate of $86 +HST round trip shuttle, $63 one way per person from Toronto Pearson Airport; $95 round trip shuttle, $68 one way per person from Buffalo Airport. A 10% discount is also available on all private exclusive services for all airports, including, Hamilton, Billy Bishop Toronto Island, Toronto Pearson, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls New York International Airports. If you have any questions, please call the reservations line at 905-374-8111 or email airsales@niagaraairbus.com Be sure to mention discount code 328.

Scotiabank Convention Centre
As Niagara’s largest conventions and meeting facility, the Scotiabank Convention Centre (SCC) offers a generous canvas of uniquely designed spaces. The Centre is located 500 metres from the Canadian Horseshoe Falls. The Convention sessions will be taking place at the SCC. For the convenience of our delegates, a shuttle bus will run at the beginning and the end of each day from the Sheraton on the Falls hotel to the SCC. Or you can enjoy a 15- walk along the Falls or take the local bus WEGO Blue line which travel from the SCC to the hotel.

Guests to the SCCN are able to rely on Centre parking attendants to provide support at pay stations and entry/exit points. Current conference parking rates are at a fee of $8.00 inclusive per vehicle, per day with no in & out privileges. Prices are subject to change without notice.
While You’re in Niagara Falls
Niagara Falls is more than a natural wonder. A world-class destination with something for everyone, the Niagara Region offers exciting entertainment, gourmet dining, one-of-a kind sightseeing, shopping, superb service and adventures for all!

World Class Attractions include: Journey Behind the Falls, Floral Clock, The Fury, Spanish Aero Car, Hornblower Whirlpool Jet Boat Tours, Clifton Hill and Niagara Skywheel, Skylon Tower, historic Niagara-on-the Lake and Wine Country (over 60 wineries) and the Welland Canal.

Theme Parks, Waterparks and Beaches include: Marineland Theme Park, Great Wolf Lodge, Fallsview Indoor Park, Waves Indoor Waterpark, Sherkston Shores and Crystal Beach. Golfers can take advantage of six different courses in the area.

There are over 500 restaurants and bistros to choose from including Brasa Brazilian Steakhouse, Planet Hollywood, Rainforest Café and much more. For fine dining, experience Jamie Kennedy’s Windows Restaurant and Massimo Capra’s The Rainbow Room.

EXHIBIT HALL INFORMATION
The CVMA Convention will feature over 100 exhibit spaces and tabletops in the Scotiabank Convention Centre.

Exhibit Hall Opening and Welcome Reception:
Friday, July 8  5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Exhibit Hall Hours:
Saturday, July 9  10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sunday, July 10  10:00 am – 1:30 pm

NEW IN 2016! Tech Tent will be a dedicated area to allow companies to showcase specific products and/or services with 15-minute demonstrations. See the latest in veterinary medicine.

Saturday morning and afternoon and Sunday morning refreshment breaks, as well as lunches, will be served in the Exhibit Hall. No one will be admitted to the Exhibit Hall or session rooms without a proper name badge.
THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016

8:00 am – 9:00 am
ECC FUNdamentals (RVT/Lecture)

8:00 am – 12:00 pm
Basic Dental Extractions Wet Lab (DVM)

8:30 am – 5:30 pm
CVMA Summit – Pan Canadian Framework on Veterinary Oversight on the Use of Antimicrobials in Animals

9:00 am – 12:00 pm
CPR for Veterinary Technicians (RVT/Lab)

10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures for the Feline Patient (DVM/Workshop)

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
CVMA Annual General Meeting and Awards Luncheon (CVMA Members Only)

2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Advanced Dental Extractions Wet Lab (DVM)

2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
CVMA Emerging Leaders Program, Part 1

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Interactive Dinner

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2016

6:30 am – 8:00 am
Interactive Breakfast

8:00 am – 12:00 pm
CVMA Emerging Leaders Program, Part 2

8:00 am – 5:20 pm
Continuing Education, Companion Animal, Ruminant, Equine and Practice Management

1:00 pm – 1:50 pm
CVMA National Issues Forum

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Welcome Reception and Exhibit Hall Opening

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Ontario Veterinary College Alumni Reception
SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2016
6:00 am – 7:00 am
Merial Fun Run/Yoga

7:00 am – 8:00 am
Merial Fun Run/Yoga Breakfast
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6:30 am – 8:00 am
Interactive Breakfast
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8:00 am – 4:50 pm
Continuing Education – Ruminant, Equine, and Animal Welfare

8:15 am – 5:05 pm
Continuing Education – Companion Animal

10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Exhibit Hall Open

7:00 pm – 12:00 am
CVMA Social Evening – Mardi Gras

SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2016
7:00 am – 8:00 am
Christian Veterinary Missions of Canada Breakfast Meeting

8:15 am – 5:05 pm
Continuing Education – Companion Animal, Large Animal and Integration of Mind/Body Medicine to Improve Your Veterinary Practice and Daily Life

10:00 am – 1:30 pm
Exhibit Hall Open

MONDAY, JULY 11, 2016
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
ReKindling The Gift: Integrating Mind/Body Medicine Wellness to Improve your Veterinary Career and Life RETREAT
CONTINUING EDUCATION LEVELS
To assist you with getting the most out of your convention experience, sessions are designated with a CE Level.

CE LEVEL 1
Little or no prior knowledge or experience of the areas covered.

CE LEVEL 2
General knowledge of the literature and professional practice within the areas covered.

CE LEVEL 3
Thorough knowledge of the literature and professional practice within the areas covered.

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<td>There is something in this lab for everyone from novices to advanced practitioners. Dr. Niemiec will present his minimally invasive techniques for extractions. Topics include pain management, equipment, and the importance of dental radiology. Following the introduction we will cover a step by step technique for extracting single rooted teeth. Following this, we will cover sectioning techniques for multi rooted teeth. This lab should be considered a prerequisite for the advanced lab.</td>
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2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Advanced Dental Extractions Wet Lab $650

CE LEVEL 2

Dr. Brook Niemiec and Dr. Susan McTaggart
Building upon the basic lab, this lab will cover how to make flaps and remove buccal cortical bone for surgical extractions of canine and carnassial teeth as well as removal for retained roots and oronasal fistula repair.

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10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures for the Feline Patient (Workshop) $250

CE LEVEL 2

Dr. Susan Little
This two-hour workshop will help you to grow your feline practice by improving your skills in feline
medicine. Learn practical, procedures from a board-certified feline specialist such as how to place and use different types of feeding tubes, how to perform bone marrow biopsies, as well as an easy technique for bronchoalveolar lavage. Emphasis is on procedures that are most useful, do not require expensive equipment and that can be performed in the average practice.

LECTURES AND LABS
(Designed for RVTs, DVMs welcome)
Additional fees required for labs. Lectures are open to all attendees with a daily or general convention registration.

8:00 am – 9:00 am
ECC FUNdamentals
(Lecture)
CE LEVEL 1
David Liss, RVT
Participants will learn how to effectively triage a critically-ill patient. The pathophysiology of shock and how to apply basic life-saving measures will also be covered. The role of the veterinary technician in the emergency room will be emphasized.

9:00 am – 12:00 pm
CPR for Veterinary Technicians (Lab) $100
CE LEVEL 2
David Liss
This lab will emphasize the RECOVER paradigm for initiating basic and advanced life support. A lecture and mannequins will be utilized to teach didactic and hands-on skills to assess a patient in cardiopulmonary arrest, to begin basic life support, and to institute advanced life support. Basic evaluation of the arrested patient, compressions, establishing an airway, drug administration and ECG interpretation will be covered.

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Train Wrecks and Car Crashes: ECC Disaster Cases!
Case Review
(Lecture)
CE LEVEL 2
David Liss
This lecture will focus on the application of advanced life-saving measures in sick patients in veterinary clinics. It will emphasize the veterinary technician’s responsibility for the patient and nursing care. Two cases will be discussed in detail to guide the lecture.

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Emergency Procedures for Veterinary Technicians
(Lab) $100
CE LEVEL 1
David Liss
This lab will focus on nursing procedures veterinary technicians can perform such as nasogastric intubation, urinary catheterization, and central line placement. The equipment and techniques for these procedures will be reviewed. Attendees will then perform these hands-on skills to improve competence.
CONTINUING EDUCATION

8:00 am – 5:30 pm
CVMA Summit 2016
Antimicrobials in Animal Health — The New Reality

The CVMA Summit will engage all veterinarians and stakeholders in a discussion on the impact of regulatory changes in antimicrobial use. In a workshop format, participant stakeholders will provide input into the draft Pan-Canadian Framework addressing veterinary oversight of antimicrobial use as well as in the setting and implementing of professional standards for veterinarians. What will these regulatory changes mean for the veterinary practice? This year’s CVMA Summit will be chaired by Dr. Troy Bourque, CVMA President-Elect.

July 7, 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm (Part 1)
July 8, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (Part 2)
CVMA Emerging Leaders Program $200

One of the exclusive convention offerings is the CVMA Emerging Leaders Program. Going into its seventh year, this workshop offers veterinarians and veterinary technologists an opportunity to explore their approach to personal and professional accomplishments. You don’t have to be established leaders in veterinary medicine to attend this program. If you’ve shown leadership involvement at vet school, provincial VMA, or even at your workplace, this program can help blaze your leadership path. It will reshape your thinking and your approach to your professional and personal life. Facilitator Dr. DeBowes is a professor of Surgery and Director of the Professional Life Skills Program at the Washington State University, College of Veterinary Medicine. He has presented this unique program to students, faculty, practitioners and health care team members in numerous countries across four continents.

Over the course of the two half-day sessions, participants will learn what a successful, more fulfilling day at work can look like, what things are important to each participant, and how they can obtain these things not only at work, but also in their personal lives. The CVMA ELP shows that veterinary practice can be fun if you let it be!

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Dr. Troy Bourque

Theresa Mullaney and Dr. Troy Bourque
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
CVMA Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Awards Ceremony  
CVMA members and invited guests only  
Although all CVMA members will have seating at the AGM, when registering online, please select the AGM as a Thursday option in order to get a luncheon ticket. The following awards will be presented during the luncheon:

CVMA Humane Award  
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CVMA Industry Award  

CVMA Practice of the Year  
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Merck Veterinary Award  
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Small Animal Practitioner Award  
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CVMA Honourary Membership  

CVMA Life Membership  

Veterinary Tech Award  
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6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
Interactive Dinner  
Update on Peridontal Disease and New Options for Its Management  
Dr. Brook Niemiec, Southern California Veterinary Dental Specialties, San Diego, CA  
Attendees will gain an increased understanding of the pathophysiology of periodontal disease and how to manage it more effectively.  
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Dr. Jean Gauvin
### FRIDAY, JULY 8

#### COMPANION ANIMAL

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CVMA’s National Issues Committee invites you to attend the first CVMA National Issues Forum. This session, based on the CVMA’s draft position statement on the issue of importing dogs into Canada, will allow for discussion/debate on the social, animal and public health factors that make it a concern for the veterinary profession in Canada. Expert guest panelists will present their perspectives on this often polarizing issue.

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![Companion Animal Health](image)

![Royal Canin](image)
COMPANION ANIMAL
Dentistry
8:00 am – 8:50 am
Canine Dental Conditions and Treatment
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Brook Niemiec
This is an in-depth look at the common oral pathologies in canine patients. Using numerous high quality images, the pathophysiology and ramifications as well as diagnostic and treatment options will be presented. Topics include clinical signs of dental disease, fractured teeth (complicated and uncomplicated), discolored teeth, abscessed teeth, retained deciduous teeth, malocclusions, caries, neoplasia, enamel hypoplasia, immune mediated disease, dental radiology, and oral signs of systemic disease.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how to diagnose and treat common canine oral conditions.

9:00 am – 9:50 am
Dental Extractions Made Easier
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Brook Niemiec
This session will start with a discussion about the best equipment options for extractions and briefly cover regional anesthesia. It will cover the techniques necessary for optimal success, minimal operator stress, and atraumatic extraction of teeth. It will conclude with a discussion of proper sectioning of multi-rooted premolar and molar teeth. There is something for everyone in this lecture, from new grads to seasoned practitioners.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how to extract teeth more efficiently with less trauma and frustration.

10:50 am – 11:40 am
Surgical Extractions/Complications
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Brook Niemiec
This session is a continuation of the basic extractions session. It will cover surgical extractions for difficult teeth (canines, carnassials, and ankylosed). Proper flap creation for the various teeth, alveolar bone removal, sectioning (if necessary), and closure (emphasizing tension release) will be covered. Avoidance and treatment of various complications (fractured and retained root tips, oronasal fistulas, iatrogenic fractures) will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to extract large teeth as well as to effectively deal with complications.
CONTINUING EDUCATION

2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Feline Oral Pathology
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Brook Niemiec
This session will cover the most common feline oral conditions including fractured teeth, EGC, periodontal disease, tooth resorption, stomatitis, feline juvenile periodontitis and oral neoplasia.

OBJECTIVES: To gain basic knowledge to diagnose and treat common feline oral conditions.

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm
Radiographic Interpretation & Interactive Case Discussions (Part 1)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Brook Niemiec
This is an interactive, case-based discussion on interpreting dental radiographs. Participants will interpret classic examples of common pathology with the help of the instructor. This section will include case management of various pathologies as well as film reading.

OBJECTIVES: To increase knowledge of dental radiograph interpretation.

4:30 pm – 5:20 pm
Radiographic Interpretation & Interactive Case Discussions (Part 2)
CE LEVEL 2
See above.

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Soft Tissue Surgery
8:00 am – 8:50 am
Common Surgical Procedures of the Gastrointestinal Tract
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Ameet Singh
Surgery of the gastrointestinal tract is commonly performed in small animal practice. Key procedures including gastropexy, resection/anastomosis and intestinal biopsy will be reviewed in this session. Procedural “pearls of wisdom” will be provided to improve success and efficiency.

OBJECTIVES: To review the basic principles of commonly performed surgical procedures of the GI tract; To learn procedural “pearls of wisdom” to improve success and efficiency of GI tract surgery.

9:00 am – 9:50 am
Common Surgical Procedures of the Urogenital Tract
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Ameet Singh
Surgery of the urogenital tract is commonly performed in small animal practice. Key procedures including cystotomy, urethrostomy, ovarian remnant removal, cryptorchidectomy and ovariohysterectomy for pyometra will be reviewed in this session.

OBJECTIVES: To review the basic principles of commonly performed surgical procedures of the urogenital tract; To learn procedural “pearls of wisdom” of urogenital surgery.

10:50 am – 11:40 am
Introduction to Minimally Invasive Surgery for General Practitioners
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Ameet Singh
Laparoscopy and thoracoscopy are minimally invasive surgical (MIS) techniques that are used with increasing frequency in small animals to provide minimally invasive access to the abdominal and thoracic cavities, respectively.
OBJECTIVES: To introduce practitioners to MIS and its benefits in veterinary medicine; To discuss how these techniques are currently being used by general practitioners.

Anesthesia and Pain Management
2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Recent Advances in the Treatment of Perioperative Pain in Cats
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Paulo Steagall
Unique analgesic drugs and pain management techniques are used in cats. This session will provide an overview of current literature and recommendations for pharmacological interventions in acute pain states. Analgesic dose regimens, routes of administration, new analgesic techniques and drug delivery systems, and future trends and challenges in feline pain management will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To learn about novel analgesic drugs and pain management approaches used in feline practice.

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm
The Anesthetized Cat in the Emergency Setting
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Paulo Steagall
The critically-ill cat represents an important challenge for the anesthetist. This session will discuss a step-wise approach for patient stabilization in preparation for general anesthesia. Problems and recommendations on anesthetic and analgesic protocols will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how to manage general anesthesia in critically ill cats.

4:30 pm – 5:20 pm
Demystifying NSAIDs and Their Adverse Effects in Clinical Practice
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Paulo Steagall
Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) are the most widely used analgesics in veterinary medicine. Controversy and lack of understanding surrounding their adverse effects remains. This session will discuss the thorny issue of NSAID-induced adverse effects in feline patients.

OBJECTIVES: To learn to identify potential risks/benefits when using NSAIDs in feline practice based on evidence-based medicine.

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Diagnostic Imaging
8:00 am – 8:50 am
Mediastinal Imaging: The Esophagus
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Gregory Starrak
Radiography, fluoroscopy, ultrasound and CT imaging of abnormalities including congenital conditions such as achalasia and acquired conditions such as strictures, megaesophagus, esophagitis and foreign bodies. Variants of normal that can mimic esophageal abnormalities will also be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To recognize normal vs. abnormal esophageal appearance and function in images; To learn optimal esophageal imaging techniques including contrast radiography and advanced imaging.

9:00 am – 9:50 am
Mediastinal Imaging: Mediastinal Masses
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Gregory Starrak
This session will look at imaging of the mediastinum using radiography, CT and ultrasound with emphasis on mediastinal masses.

OBJECTIVES: To recognize normal radiographic variants versus pathological change; To learn about alternate imaging (CT and ultrasound) and contrast studies to enhance identification of mediastinal abnormalities.
10:50 am – 11:40 am
Imaging of Chronic Pulmonary Disease
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Gregory Starrak
An alternative approach to airway and parenchymal lung disease using radiographs, CT and even ultrasound will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To recognize intrathoracic airway disease, including collapse, and its correlation to other conditions (e.g., cardiac disease); To recognize and determine severity of pulmonary fibrosis with pulmonary hypertension in geriatric patients.

2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Ultrasound of the GI Tract
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Gregory Starrak
This session will consist of a case-based discussion of the sonographic appearance of the normal and abnormal GI tract extending from the cardia of the stomach to colon.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to assess GI motility with ultrasound and understand its correlation with disease; To be able to appreciate the significance of structural/architectural changes of the intestinal wall.

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm
Echo’s for Dummies or Radiologists
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Gregory Starrak
This session will include a discussion of when to look at the heart and what you should be able to identify. A simplified approach to determine basic cardiac parameters including pericardial effusion, heart masses, chamber size and contractility, without using a specialized table or even dedicated cardiac probes, is provided.

OBJECTIVES: To recognize changes on abdominal ultrasound that indicate the need for cardiac evaluation; To learn how to acquire basic cardiac parameters and findings that should prompt referral of the patient.

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4:30 pm – 5:20 pm
Common Mistakes in Diagnostic Imaging
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Gregory Starrak
Why are things missed with imaging studies? This session will emphasize bias, satisfaction of search error and limitations of the modality.

OBJECTIVES: To know how to prevent common errors of misdiagnosis in diagnostic imaging; To recognize the limitations of the modality you are imaging with.

RUMINANT
Camelid Medicine
8:00 am – 8:50 am
Camelid Herd Health
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Melanie Boileau
This session will provide an overview of camelid herd health “basics” ranging from suggested housing conditions, stocking density, basic nutrition, parasite control and recommended vaccination protocols to routine care including shearing, toe nail trimming, and dental care.

OBJECTIVES: To identify the main components included in the proper management of a camelid herd; To describe a core vaccination protocol for camelids; To summarize key elements involved in internal parasite control of camelids.

9:00 am – 9:50 am
Care of Neonatal Camelids
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Melanie Boileau
This session will focus on recognition and management of the healthy and high-risk neonatal cria.

OBJECTIVES: To identify and differentiate a healthy (term) from a premature/dysmature or septic newborn cria; To know the components and level of care likely required for a healthy vs. a premature/dysmature or septic cria.
10:50 am – 11:40 am
Handling, Restraint and Field Anesthesia of Camelids
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Melanie Boileau
This session will provide a summary of capture, and physical and chemical restraint techniques most commonly used in camelids.

OBJECTIVES: To list and describe the capture/physical restraint techniques most commonly used in camelids; To list and describe local blocks and sedation protocols most commonly used in camelids.

Ewe/Doe and Lamb Diseases
2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Thin Ewe or Thin Doe Syndrome
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Jeff Wichtel
Chronic wasting, with or without obvious signs of disease, is a common presenting complaint in older ewes and does, often leading to reproductive failure and early culling. This session will discuss causes of and the approach to diagnosis of chronic wasting.

OBJECTIVES: To learn a practical approach to investigating cases of thin ewe/doe syndrome; To be aware of the multiple etiologies associated with chronic weight loss in small ruminants; To be able to develop an appropriate diagnostic plan for determining its cause(s).

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm
Managing the Gestating Ewe
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Jeff Wichtel
Ewes in late gestation are susceptible to a wide range of metabolic disorders and diseases that influence ewe survival and the success of the lambing period. This session will discuss the management of the late gestation ewe.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how to assess the management of gestating ewes; To understand how gestating ewe management can influence perinatal lamb survival.

4:30 pm – 5:20 pm
Nutritional Diseases of Growing Lambs
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Jeff Wichtel
Weaned lambs (and kids) are susceptible to a variety of disorders related to nutritional management. This session will explore nutritional diseases of growing lambs.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how nutritional mismanagement influences disorders such as bloat, clostridial enterotoxaemia, rumen acidosis, polioencephalomalacia, trace element deficiencies and toxicities in growing lambs.

**EQUINE**
Internal Medicine
8:00 am – 8:50 am
Practical Use of Clinical Pathology in Equine Practice
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Thomas Divers
This session reviews the importance of clinical pathology testing using a problem-based format.

OBJECTIVES: To be knowledgeable of point of care testing; To understand endocrine testing for equine Cushing’s disease and equine metabolic syndrome.

9:00 am – 9:50 am
Newer Discoveries in Equine Gastroenterology
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Thomas Divers
This session reviews recent advances in the diagnosis of equine diarrheal diseases, the diagnosis and treatment of equine abdominal pain, as well as the equine microbiome.
OBJECTIVES: To be aware of recent findings relating to equine diarrheal diseases; To understand the equine microbiome and its importance to equine practice; To be aware of newer diagnostics and treatments for equine abdominal pain.

10:50 am – 11:40 am
Geneology Disorders in Horses – What is Your Diagnosis?
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Thomas Divers
This session will review several cases providing a diagnosis and potential treatments.

OBJECTIVES: To generate a diagnosis and potential treatments for neurologic cases that are presented.

2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Spirochete Diseases in the Horse – Lyme and Leptospirosis
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Thomas Divers
In this session, the clinical syndromes, epidemiology and treatment of infectious diseases of horses caused by Borrelia burgdorferi or Leptospira spp. are discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To be aware of the clinical syndromes, epidemiology, and treatments for infections in horses associated caused by Borrelia burgdorferi and Leptospira spp.

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm
Equine Immunologic Disorders
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Thomas Divers
In this session a variety of immune mediated diseases of horses are discussed including: immune mediated anemia/thrombocytopenia, immune mediated vasculitis, immune mediated myositis/organ failure and anaphylaxis.

OBJECTIVES: To understand immune mediated anemia and thrombocytopenia in horses and foals; To be knowledgeable of immune mediated vasculitis; To be able to recognize immune mediated myositis and immune mediated organ failure; To learn about anaphylaxis.

4:30 pm – 5:20 pm
Equine Medicine News Hour
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Thomas Divers
In this session, recent articles with a practical application to equine practice are discussed including a brief review of study design, results as well as a discussion of why findings may or may not differ from results of similar studies.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to critically evaluate the findings of recent studies in equine medicine.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT
8:00 am – 8:50 am
The Dog Days of Data
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Adam Little
In the last decade, technology has transformed publishing, transportation, accommodation, personal computing and more, and never have these advances been more rapid or more disruptive. Health care is one of the next frontiers, as the convergence of artificial intelligence, sensors, digital biology, virtual reality, and more will transform the way that we deliver care to our patients. The veterinary space is not immune to these changes and harnessing these advances effectively will open up new ways to improve the care of patients while connecting with pet owners.

OBJECTIVES: To understand how technology is changing medicine and to recognize whether something is truly revolutionary or just a fad; To be aware of how these advances will impact the veterinary profession; To learn how to effectively introduce these concepts and tools into your practice.
9:00 am – 9:50 am  
Technology in the Trenches  
**CE LEVEL 1**  
*Dr. Caleb Frankel*  
This session will provide an introduction to the many practical uses of technology in everyday veterinary medicine. It will explore the state-of-the-art technology in veterinary practices.

**OBJECTIVES:** To gain an overview of selected technologies that could be valuable in veterinary settings; To learn how to get team buy-in with introduction of new technologies in practice.

10:50 am – 11:40 am  
Culture: Every Practice Has One But is it The One You Want?  
**CE LEVEL 1 DVM/RVT**  
*Dr. Wendy Hauser*  
This session will explore workplace culture and the impact culture has on success. Attendees will be provided with tools to evaluate their own core beliefs, as well as hospital culture. Steps to achieve a shared culture will be discussed.

**OBJECTIVES:** To learn how to define core beliefs and personal values; To understand how core beliefs inform, but values support actions; To apply workshop activities to your own practice to help build a healthy culture.

2:00 pm – 4:20 pm  
How Healthy is Your Hospital? (Part 1 & 2)  
**CE LEVEL 2-3**  
*Dr. Wendy Hauser*  
As veterinary professionals we are dedicated to promoting optimum health in and for our patients, but the majority of practitioners don’t promote that same care for their hospital’s organizational health. This two-hour roundtable will examine critical concepts in developing veterinary practices that have ‘It’ – that rare alignment of management, operations, culture and strategy that promote a cohesive organization. This highly interactive roundtable will involve small group discussions as well as individual worksheets.

**OBJECTIVES:** To learn how to structure leadership teams to optimize effectiveness; To know how to build the foundations of a healthy organization, including trust and shared values; To understand how to reach practice goals through a combination of clarity and clear expectations.

4:30 pm – 5:20 pm  
Understanding and Growing Key Financial Performance Indicators  
**CE LEVEL 2**  
*Dr. Wendy Hauser*  
This interactive presentation examines what makes a practice profitable by understanding the economic significance represented by key performance indicators. An in-depth look at individual actions and practice characteristics that influence each of the key performance indicators is incorporated into the presentation, as well as strategies to boost category growth.

**OBJECTIVES:** To learn about key production indicators and how to interpret them; To examine actions that successful practitioners use to help enhance patient service and improve examination room performance.

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Welcome Reception and Exhibit Hall Opening  
Join attendees for the ribbon cutting ceremony officially opening the Exhibit Hall. Over 100 industry partners will showcase the latest innovations in products and services.

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*NEW IN 2016!* Tech Tent 15-minute hands on demonstrations showcasing the latest in products and services.
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### 6:00 am – 7:00 am

**Merial Fun Run or Yoga Session**

Join colleagues for either an early morning 5K fun run/walk through downtown Niagara Falls, or an easy, relaxing yoga session. Pre-registration is required and a waiver form must be signed for both activities.

### 7:00 am – 8:00 am

**Merial Fun Run/Yoga Breakfast**

Continental breakfast served for participants.
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm
CVMA Mardi Gras Social Evening ($85)
Edgewaters Restaurant
Mardi Gras isn’t just for Fat Tuesday. Colourful masks, beads and “letting the good times roll” is part of the fun planned for the social evening. The venue offers an outdoor terrace with a magnificent view of the American and Canadian Falls. Chef Sidney will showcase his great passion for food and wine by a custom menu served at food stations. Throughout the evening, guests will wander throughout the venue and mingle while savouring Niagara’s specialties. Two wine samplings are included in the ticket price with winery staff in attendance.

But the evening isn’t just about Niagara’s food and wine – it’s about FUN! Be amazed with Anthony Lindan’s sleight of mind and hand close-up magic. With over 20 years of experience, Anthony knows how to entertain a crowd and get a party going. For brave souls, your fortune can be read by one of the four psychics that will be around using astrology, numerology, crystals and tarot cards. Find out what’s in store for your future! Caricaturist Bruce Outridge will amaze you with his sketching talents. The night continues with dancing to the lively beats provided by DJ Blake Belcher. This is a social event you don’t want to miss!

8:15 am – 9:05 am
“Ears Looking At You” – Diagnosis and Treatment of Canine Otitis Externa
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Charlie Pye
Otitis externa (OE) is a common condition in small animals (4.5-20% of all cases). OE is due to primary, predisposing and perpetuating factors. Primary factors account for the underlying etiology, predisposing factors are present prior to the development of the otitis and perpetuating factors occur as a result of the inflammation and include fungal and bacterial infections. By addressing all these factors, recurrence can be avoided.

OBJECTIVES: To know of the latest treatment options available for otitis externa; To be aware of practical tips to help manage patients with otitis externa.

9:15 am – 10:05 am
Common Reasons for Treatment Failure in Dermatology
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Charlie Pye
Frustration can arise when treatment instituted for a particular dermatologic disease fails to lead
to clinical improvement. Other cases may initially improve, but then show a decline in their condition. Secondary infections, development of another disease or adverse drug reactions can all lead to presumed treatment failure. In these cases of “treatment failure”, diagnostic steps should always be revisited, however, further diagnostics are also likely needed.

OBJECTIVES: To understand common reasons for treatment failure; To know steps to take should treatment for chronic dermatitis fail.

11:00 am – 11:50 am
Treatment of Secondary Infections in Veterinary Dermatology

CE LEVEL 2 DVM
Dr. Charlie Pye
Secondary infections can be frustrating to treat due to underlying etiologies causing inflammation and increased susceptibility to infection. Resistant bacterial infections add to this frustration due to fewer treatment options available. These infections, when present, can mask the benefits of anti-inflammatory therapy.

OBJECTIVES: To know topical and systemic treatment options for Malassezia dermatitis; To be aware of topical and systemic treatment options for both susceptible and resistant bacterial pyodermas; To have an understanding of treatment options for recurrent bacterial pyoderma.

1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Atopic Dermatitis: Allergy Testing and Immunotherapy (Part 1)

CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Vincent Defalque
Canine atopic dermatitis is a common pruritic allergic skin disease which is often frustrating for both dog owners and their veterinarians. Despite the high prevalence of this disease, the majority of dogs that could benefit from immunotherapy are not receiving it.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how to diagnose canine atopic dermatitis; To understand the differences between intradermal and serum allergy tests; To appreciate the differences between subcutaneous and sublingual immunotherapy.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Atopic Dermatitis: Allergy Testing and Immunotherapy (Part 2)

CE LEVEL 2
See above.

4:15 pm – 5:05 pm
Food Allergy in Dogs and Cats: Comparative Aspects and Evidence-Based Recommendations

CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Vincent Defalque
A cutaneous adverse food reaction (or ‘food allergy’) is defined as any aberrant reaction after consumption of a food or food additive. This session will cover the causes and clinical signs of this somewhat common skin disease as well as the best way to diagnose it.

OBJECTIVES: To learn how the causes and clinical signs of food allergy dermatitis differs in dogs and cats as well as the optimal way for diagnosis.
Ophthalmology
8:15 am – 9:05 am
Ophthalmic Neurology: So Much More than Meets the Eye
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Marnie Ford
So much information is missed by not doing a thorough ophthalmic neurologic examination. By understanding the cranial nerves and their functions as they relate to the eye, lesions in the brain, visual tract, and periocular structures can be localized. From this information, options for diagnosis and treatment can be identified.

OBJECTIVES: To understand how to do a cranial nerve examination as it relates to the eye; To be able to localize an ophthalmic neurologic lesion.

9:15 am – 10:05 am
Hey Doc, How Well Do My Cat and Dog See?
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Marnie Ford
What are the visual strengths and weakness of dogs and cats? What will happen to my pet if vision is lost? These are common questions asked by pet owners.

OBJECTIVES: To improve understanding of acuity, motion detection, colour vision and depth perception in dogs and cats; To enable veterinarians to answer questions regarding quality of life following loss of one or both eyes.

11:00 am – 11:50 am
Corneal Ulcers: When Good Ulcers Go Bad
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Marnie Ford
When presented with a corneal ulcer, the earliest treatment approach will often have the greatest impact on the outcome of the cornea. Recognizing the different forms of ulceration will help identify the appropriate treatment for earlier resolution with fewer complications.

OBJECTIVES: To understand the nature and treatment plans of superficial, stromal, deep, infected, and indolent corneal ulcers; To develop a prognosis for healing of different types of corneal ulcers.

1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Feline Keratitis
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Marnie Ford
The teary cat. The squinty cat. There is more to cats than herpes. By better understanding the range of differentials and treatment options of feline keratitis, our ability as veterinarians to provide a more hopeful prognosis for resolution of the squinty, teary cat can be achieved.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to develop a list of common differentials of feline keratitis; To better understand appropriate testing methods, available treatments, and realistic goals for resolution of feline keratitis.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Golden Retriever Pigmentary Uveitis (GRPU)
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Marnie Ford
The incidence of Golden Retriever Pigmentary Uveitis (GRPU) has increased remarkably in the last decade. During this time, much has been learned about this disease and while there is still much more to learn, our knowledge regarding diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis for vision has grown and changed over the years.

OBJECTIVES: To be aware of the current state of knowledge of GRP; To be knowledgeable of treatment for GRPU and prognosis for vision.
4:15 pm – 5:05 pm  
**Ophthalmic Neoplasia**  
**CE LEVEL 2**  
Dr. Marnie Ford  
Finding an intraocular mass can be overwhelming for both the pet owner as well as the veterinarian. Some masses are neoplastic while others are inflammatory. Some impact the body, while others do not. Differentials for intraocular masses as well as techniques for diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis will be discussed.

**OBJECTIVES:** To be knowledgeable of the causes of intraocular masses; To better understand intraocular neoplasia and expectation for metastatic spread; To be aware of options for diagnosis and treatment of intraocular masses.

11:00 am – 11:50 am  
**A Stepwise Approach to the Treatment of Hypotension in Small Animal Practice**  
**CE LEVEL 2**  
Dr. Paulo Steagall  
Hypotension is one of the most common complications in small animal anesthesia. This session will discuss basic cardiovascular physiology while integrating these concepts with general anesthesia.

**OBJECTIVES:** To know how to manage hypotension during anesthesia on a case-by-case basis.

**Anesthesia and Pain Management**  
8:15 am – 9:05 am  
**Safe and Cost-Effective Anesthesia for Spay-Neuter Programs**  
**CE LEVEL 1**  
Dr. Paulo Steagall  
Spay-neuter programs are becoming more popular as a mandatory component to decrease overpopulation and euthanasia of stray dogs and cats.

**OBJECTIVES:** To gain an understanding of anesthetic and analgesic techniques for spay-neuter.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm  
**Intake Protocols for Shelter Cats and Dogs**  
**CE LEVEL 2**  
Dr. Stephanie Janeczko  
Well-defined intake protocols are a key to maintaining physical and behavioral health of animals in shelters.

**OBJECTIVES:** To understand medical health protocols, including physical examination, vaccination, and diagnostic testing as well as behavioral and housing considerations for cats and dogs at intake.
4:15 pm – 5:05 pm
Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease in Shelter Dogs
CE LEVEL 2 DVM/RVT
Dr. Stephanie Janeczko
Infectious respiratory disease, often referred to as “kennel cough,” can be a significant challenge affecting the health of dogs in a shelter setting.

OBJECTIVES: To be knowledgeable of the more common and serious causative agents of canine infectious respiratory disease including their diagnosis and treatment; To learn about management and preventative strategies for canine respiratory disease.

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RUMINANT
The Periparturient Cow
8:00 am – 8:50 am
Negative Energy Balance in Periparturient Dairy Cattle: Individual Animal Diagnosis and Treatment
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Jessica McArt
This session will review the physiology behind negative energy balance in periparturient dairy cows and discuss normal variations in energy metabolites, specifically blood concentrations of non-esterified fatty acids and β-hydroxybutyrate.

OBJECTIVES: To understand diagnostic methodology for on-farm identification of excessive elevation of energy metabolites; To be aware that accurate and inexpensive on-farm meters exist for the diagnosis of hyperketonemia in dairy cows.
9:00 am – 9:50 am
Negative Energy Balance in Periparturient Dairy Cattle: Herd-Level Management
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Jessica McArt
This session will discuss the appropriate range in lactation days and sample size that should be used to develop a herd management and action plan for regular monitoring of negative energy balance. In addition, the difference between incidence and prevalence testing, the importance of using tests with high sensitivities, and testing and treatment strategies at the herd-level will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To be aware of the parameters that should be considered when developing a herd management plan for monitoring negative energy balance; To appreciate the differences between incidence and prevalence testing when assessing negative energy balance at the herd level.

10:45 am – 11:35 am
Hypocalcemia in Postparturient Dairy Cattle
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Jessica McArt
This session will briefly review calcium physiology in the periparturient period and discuss the incidence of clinical and subclinical hypocalcemia. It will also discuss preventative measures to control hypocalcemia, monitoring tools available to ambulatory practitioners, and methods of individual animal treatment.

OBJECTIVES: To recognize that clinical hypocalcemia is uncommon on well-managed dairy herds but that subclinical hypocalcemia is widespread with unnoticed health and production effects; To become familiar with preventative measures and current treatments for hypocalcemia in dairy herds.

Clinical Pharmacology
1:15 pm – 2:05 pm
Antimicrobial Therapy in Food Animals in the Face of Antimicrobial Resistance
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Trisha Dowling
This session will include cased-based discussions of current issues and options in the antimicrobial treatment of common food animal infectious diseases.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to evaluate culture and susceptibility data to choose appropriate antimicrobial therapy; To learn how to formulate appropriate treatment regimens for common infectious diseases.

2:15 pm – 3:05 pm
Drug Residues and Withdrawal Times: Lessons Learned from Canadian gFARAD
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Trisha Dowling
This session will explore the issues of drug residues in food animals using the data of the CgFARAD to demonstrate how withdrawal recommendations are formulated.

OBJECTIVES: To know how to determine the potential for residue violations when choosing on label or extra label drug treatments; To provide food animal clients with appropriate medication withdrawal recommendations.
4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Medications and the Dairy Cow
**CE LEVEL 2**
*Dr. Trisha Dowling*
This session will include discussion of the issues and regulations regarding the use of drugs and potential for residues in lactating dairy cattle.

**OBJECTIVES:** To understand the issues and regulations regarding the use of drugs and potential for residues in lactating dairy cattle; To know the best “cowside” test to use to prevent violative residues; To understand how to differentiate a subviolative positive test from a true positive.

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EQUINE Lameness

8:00 am – 8:50 am
How to Optimize Ultrasound Imaging of the Proximal Suspensory Ligament
**CE LEVEL 2–3**
*Dr. Roland Thaler*
Injury to the proximal suspensory ligament is a relatively frequent athletic injury in horses. Accurate ultrasonographic assessment is essential in the diagnosis and management of injury. This presentation will discuss anatomy, image optimization and criteria evaluation from the perspective of an ambulatory practitioner.

**OBJECTIVES:** To recognize anatomy associated with the proximal suspensory ligament; To review image acquisition technique to visualize size, echogenicity and ultra-architecture of the proximal suspensory ligament.

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9:00 am – 9:50 am
Practical Assessment of Hind Limb Lameness for the Ambulatory Practitioner
**CE LEVEL 1**
*Dr. Roland Thaler*
Evaluation of lameness is one of the most common reasons why clients request veterinary service. Hind limb problems are often more difficult to evaluate than forelimb issues. This presentation will outline a pragmatic approach to hind limb lameness while identifying the most frequent etiologies using ambulatory equipment.

**OBJECTIVES:** To understand that lameness evaluation is a subjective and highly impacted by variables during the evaluation procedure; To learn a consistent lameness evaluation methodology to improve accuracy of lameness diagnostics.

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Injury Specific Shoeing for the Equine
**CE LEVEL 2–3**
*Dr. Roland Thaler*
A rationale for the shoeing of horses with specific injuries is presented. Tendon and ligaments need to be protected from excessive tension during healing; while joint surface injuries are typically more comfortable with less compression. The use of asymmetric shoes can achieve these objectives without causing complications most often associated with other methods.

**OBJECTIVES:** To gain understanding of how alteration of the hoof capsule affects the loading of structures along the limb; To develop an understanding of how healing of injuries of the limb are facilitated by the use of asymmetric shoeing.
Lameness and Integrative Treatments for Equine Back Problems  
1:15 pm – 2:05 pm  
Emergencies of the Equine Digit: Assessment and Care  
CE LEVEL 2  
Dr. Roland Thaler  
Practitioners are frequently faced with traumatic injuries of the digit. This presentation discusses the vital anatomy and field assessment of contamination of these structures. Case examples will be discussed as they relate to management from an ambulatory perspective.

OBJECTIVES: To develop and understanding of synovial anatomy and risks associated with laceration/puncture injuries to the digit; To learn about an assessment protocol which will optimize treatment guidelines and prognoses for both the veterinarian and owner.

Equine Back Conditions  
2:15 pm – 3:05 pm  
Integration of Acupuncture, Chiropractic and Manual Therapies in the Treatment of Equine Back Conditions (Part 1)  
CE LEVEL 2  
Dr. Allen Schoen  
The scientific basis and practical applications of acupuncture, chiropractic, manual therapies and an integrative approach to equine back conditions will be discussed based on 35 years of teaching, research and clinical practice with a focus in equine back issues.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an understanding of the scientific basis of acupuncture; To gain knowledge about the scientific basis for chiropractic and manual therapies as they relate to equine back problems.

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm  
Integration of Acupuncture, Chiropractic and Manual Therapies in the Treatment of Equine Back Conditions (Part 2)  
CE LEVEL 2  
See above.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an understanding of the indications and limitations of acupuncture in the treatment of common back conditions in horses; To know the indications and limitations of chiropractic and manual therapies for back conditions in horses.

ANIMAL WELFARE  
Companion Animal  
8:00 am – 8:50 am  
The Veterinarian’s Role in Animal Cruelty Investigation  
CE LEVEL 2  
Dr. Martha Smith-Blackmore  
Veterinarians encounter animals that appear to be suffering from non-accidental injury in the course of regular practice. Veterinarians may also be called upon to document animal cruelty cases presented by law enforcement. Understanding what information investigators and prosecutors seek, case packaging and presentation can help strengthen an investigation.
OBJECTIVES: To develop a better understanding of veterinary forensics, including useful approaches and pitfalls to avoid.

9:00 am – 9:50 am
Animal Sexual Abuse
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martha Smith-Blackmore
The sexual abuse of animals includes a wide range of sexual behaviors. The elements of a crime of animal sexual abuse depends on the jurisdiction and applicable laws.

OBJECTIVES: To gain overview of animal sexual abuse, behavior of offenders as well as tips for physical examination and necropsy of the animal sexual abuse victim.

10:45 am – 11:35 am
Understanding Animal Hoarding from Personality Typology
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martha Smith-Blackmore
People with animal hoarding disorder can be bewildering to deal with, exhibiting frustrating behaviors that are difficult to understand.

OBJECTIVES: To increase knowledge of three general classifications of animal hoarders, their typical behaviours and motivations.

Large Animal
1:15 pm – 2:05 pm
Poultry Welfare: Handling and Transport of Broilers/Housing of Laying Hens
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Michael Cockram
In Canada, concerns have been expressed about the welfare implications of the methods used to handle and transport broiler chickens to slaughter. Research on risk factors for mortality (including health, handling and thermal conditions) during pre-slaughter handling, transportation and lairage will be reviewed. Research that has prompted the egg industry to consider methods other than conventional cages for housing laying hens will be reviewed.

OBJECTIVES: To gain an increased understanding of factors affecting the risk of mortality when broilers are handled and transported for slaughter; To learn about housing systems for laying hens that do not involve conventional cages.

2:15 pm – 3:05 pm
Pain Control for Castration and Tail Docking in Lambs
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Michael Cockram
The sheep industry faces challenges in adopting optimal methods for minimizing pain associated with castration and tail docking. Research on (a) the effects of methods of castration and tail docking and (b) methods of pain control, on the behavioural, physiological and clinical signs of pain in lambs will be reviewed.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an understanding of signs of pain associated with methods of castration and tail docking in lambs; To know methods of pain control for castration and tail docking in lambs.

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Welfare Aspects of Health and Disease
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Michael Cockram
Although the relationship between welfare and health/disease is self-evident to veterinarians, there can be confusion between disciplines on the exact nature of this relationship, and approaches to the meaning of animal welfare. The ways in which animals likely experience the consequences of disease and welfare aspects of the management, treatment and control of disease will be reviewed.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an increased understanding of approaches to animal welfare including welfare aspects of disease.
### SUNDAY, JULY 10

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The CVMC is an organization for veterinarians, animal health technologists and veterinary students. The CVMC’s short-term mission program provides opportunities for veterinary professionals to use their faith and skills around the world. Join the CVMC for breakfast and learn about CVMC’s international programs and discover how you might get involved.

### COMPANION ANIMAL

Feline Practice

8:15 am – 9:05 am  
Concord with Cats: Avoiding the Rodeo (with Video)  
**CE LEVEL 2**  
Dr. Elizabeth Colleran

The veterinary visit begins 30–45 minutes before the client arrives at the appointment. One of the critical solutions to declining cat visits is to improve the experience of the feline patient and their owner. We can reach out to clients to help change the pre-visit experience, change the way in which staff interact with cats, and create an experience that nurtures the relationship with client.

OBJECTIVES: To become aware of specific approaches for improving the client/feline patient experience to increase the likelihood of repeated visits.

9:15 am – 10:05 am  
Aging Gracefully: Old Thin Cats  
**CE LEVEL 3**  
Dr. Elizabeth Colleran

As cats age, weight loss is common. Geriatric cats are more likely than adult cats to be underweight. Loss of lean body mass is associated with shorter life span.

OBJECTIVES: To learn about the causes of weight loss in geriatric cats as well as recommendations for meeting their unique nutritional needs; To understand the difference between sarcopenia and cachexia.

11:00 am – 11:50 am  
See More Cat!  
**CE LEVEL 2**  
Dr. Elizabeth Colleran

New research has illuminated why obesity is so common in the adult feline population. New understanding has emerged on ways to manage weight loss successfully. Owners need to be fully invested in addressing this serious threat to feline health.

OBJECTIVES: To expand knowledge of approaches to weight loss programs for individual felines.
1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Pandora Syndrome: More Than FIC
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Elizabeth Colleran
Known more commonly as Feline Idiopathic Cystitis, this ubiquitous condition is now known to have neurological and endocrine characteristics. Effective treatment is based upon an understanding of the genetics and epigenetic differences in affected cats.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an understanding of the pathophysiology of Feline Idiopathic Cystitis; To understand the rationale for current therapeutic recommendations.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Pancreatitis: An Emerging Understanding
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Elizabeth Colleran
Pancreatitis can be difficult to diagnose. Marked differences exist between acute and chronic pancreatitis and between the presentation of canine and feline pancreatitis.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to recognize signs of acute and chronic pancreatitis in cats as well as modes of treatment and monitoring; To learn about new proposed treatment methods.

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Managing Chronic Kidney Disease
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Elizabeth Colleran
Chronic renal insufficiency is one of the most common conditions in the geriatric feline patient.

OBJECTIVES: To understand the relationship between calcium and phosphorus homeostasis, the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone (RAAS) system, and the decline in adequate renal function and how they impact recommendations for therapy.

SUNDAY, JULY 10

Behaviour
8:15 am – 9:05 am
Integrating Behaviour in General Practice (Part 1)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martin Godbout
For many veterinarians, behavioural medicine is still perceived as a loss of time and money. This session will discuss pros and cons of integrating behavioural services in a veterinary practice.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to appreciate the pros and cons of integrating behaviour in general practice.

9:15 am – 10:05 am
Integrating Behaviour in General Practice (Part 2)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martin Godbout
By proposing three different levels of behavioural services, the speaker will help the veterinarians to set their limits and define the type of services they would like to offer to their clients.

OBJECTIVES: To be aware of three different levels of behaviour services that can be offered in practice; To learn how to gradually integrate behaviour in the practice and how to engage staff.
CONTINUING EDUCATION

11:00 am – 11:50 am
Dog Aggression: Assessing The Risk (Part 1)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martin Godbout
When a dog bites someone and the owner comes to the veterinary clinic for a professional advice, it is always difficult for the veterinarian to clearly distinguish between a dog expressing normal behavioural sequence according to the context and a dog representing a real danger for the population. By better understanding normal aggressive behaviour, the participants will learn how to assess the risk of an aggressive dog through a 10 steps evaluation process.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an understanding of normal behavioural sequence in dogs as it pertains to aggression; To learn how to distinguish between normal and aggressive behaviour.

1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Dog Aggression: Assessing The Risk (Part 2)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martin Godbout
Participants will practice their abilities to assess the risk of an aggressive dog through different virtual cases of dog aggression.

OBJECTIVES: To become familiar with a 10 different key points scale to evaluate risk of future aggression; To learn how to make a quick assessment during an appointment to categorize a dog as a low, medium or high risk of aggression.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Is Your Dog a Special Edition? (Part 1)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martin Godbout
Special edition dogs are more reactive or more anxious when compared to the median dog and they are usually suffering from behavioural disease (mental disease) that necessitates specific veterinary care. During this session, video clips will allow participants to better identify special edition dogs in their practice.

OBJECTIVES: To become familiar with normal behavioural sequences in dogs; To be able to identify abnormal behaviours in different contexts (special editions).

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Is Your Dog a Special Edition? (Part 2)
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Martin Godbout
With a multitude of video clips of dogs reacting in different contexts, the participants will learn how to differentiate between patients requiring a complete behavioural therapy (medication, behaviour modification and follow-up) and those requiring training and a simple follow-up of the condition. This simplified model will then help general practitioners to rapidly dress a behavioural treatment plan for their patients and orient their clients to the most adequate behavioural service.

OBJECTIVES: To be able to identify abnormal behaviours in dogs from case scenarios including those requiring treatment; To become knowledgeable of the basic recommendations, medical treatments and behavioural modification techniques for special edition dogs.
Gastroenterology
8:15 am – 9:05 am
Update on Disorders of the Esophagus
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Todd Tams
This session will provide an update on the important esophageal disorders encountered in clinical practice, including megaesophagus, esophagitis, and esophageal foreign bodies. Esophagitis is underdiagnosed and clinical awareness will be emphasized.

OBJECTIVES: To learn which diagnostic tests are indicated to determine the cause of megaesophagus; To become knowledgeable about the latest recommendations for feeding dogs with megaesophagus; To become familiar with the clinical signs of esophagitis and latest recommendations for medical management.

9:15 am – 10:05 am
Acute and Chronic Vomiting in Dogs and Cats: Overview of Diagnostic Approach
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Todd Tams
This session will discuss strategies for diagnosing acute and chronic vomiting in dogs and cats including obtaining a thorough and accurate history, and the most appropriate tests and when they should be performed. Many case examples will be highlighted.

OBJECTIVES: To learn about appropriate testing in vomiting patients, based on history and physical examination findings; To gain knowledge about the clinical presentation and diagnostic plan for gastric hypomotility.

11:00 am – 11:50 am
Management of Vomiting Dogs and Cats
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Todd Tams
This session will provide an update on general antiemetic therapy, acid reducing drug therapy, management of gastric hypomotility disorders, and endoscopy for treatment of animals with gastric foreign bodies.

OBJECTIVES: To learn about how to manage patients with gastric hypomotility; To recognize value of upper GI endoscopy for retrieving gastric foreign bodies; To increase awareness of current recommendations for use of antiemetic drugs in dogs and cats.

1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Acute Pancreatitis in Dogs: Update on Diagnosis and Management
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Todd Tams
This session will provide an update on current recommendations for diagnosis and treatment of dogs with acute pancreatitis. It will emphasize the importance of pain control and early feeding in dogs with this condition.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an appreciation for the most clinically useful diagnostic tests for pancreatitis in dogs; To be knowledgeable of the current recommendations for treatment of dogs with acute pancreatitis; To learn about feeding recommendations for long-term management of dogs with recurrent bouts of pancreatitis.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Acute and Chronic Diarrhea in Dogs and Cats
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Todd Tams
This session will emphasize the diagnostic approach in dogs and cats with acute and chronic diarrhea. Accurate diagnosis and management of Giardia, cryptosporidiosis, and Tritrichomonas foetus will be emphasized. The use of probiotics in management of patients with diarrhea will be highlighted. Case examples will be used to emphasize key points.

OBJECTIVES: To develop an understanding of the diagnostic approach for acute diarrhea in dogs and cats; To be knowledgeable about the most appropriate diagnostic tests to identify GI parasite infections in dogs and cats; To learn how to diagnose and treat cats with T. foetus infection.
4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Inflammatory Bowel Disease and Intestinal Lymphoma in Cats
**CE LEVEL 2**
Dr. Todd Tams

In this session differential diagnosis for chronic GI disease in cats will be reviewed. The importance of obtaining intestinal biopsies to differentiate between intestinal lymphoma and IBD will be discussed including the pros and cons of full thickness vs. endoscopically-acquired biopsies and what the next steps would be if the two conditions cannot be differentiated on routine histopathology. Current treatment options for IBD will be covered including the fact that many cats with intestinal lymphoma can be managed for an appreciable amount of time.

**OBJECTIVES:** To become familiar with the clinical presentations that can be seen in cats with IBD and small cell intestinal lymphoma; To become knowledgeable about the tests used to establish a diagnosis of either IBD or GI lymphoma.

**LARGE ANIMAL**

**Bovine Mastitis**

8:15 am – 9:05 am
The Role of Dry Cow Treatment in Mastitis Control
**CE LEVEL 2**

Dr. Marguerite Cameron

Management of udder health in the dry period is a critical control point for mastitis control on dairy farms. This session will review the physiology of the mammary gland during the dry period and it will provide an update on recent progress in mastitis control during the non-lactating period with a focus on selective dry cow therapy.

**OBJECTIVES:** To gain an understanding of the principles behind dry period mastitis control; To know when and how to implement a selective dry cow therapy program.

9:15 am – 10:05 am
Emerging Mastitis Pathogens
**CE LEVEL 3**

Dr. Marguerite Cameron

As a result of focused research and recently developed diagnostic methodologies, we are gaining new knowledge about the role of coagulase negative staphylococci and environmental streptococci in bovine mastitis. This session will provide a review of the current literature on coagulase negative staphylococci and “other” environmental streptococci (e.g. Lactococcus spp.).

**OBJECTIVES:** To understand the role of various species of coagulase negative staphylococci and environmental streptococci so that appropriate control procedures can be implemented.

11:00 am – 11:50 am
Milking Routine Evaluation
**CE LEVEL 1**

Dr. Marguerite Cameron

The milking routine is critical to producing high quality milk and control bovine mastitis. As veterinarians serving the dairy industry, we play a key role in ensuring that our clients are adopting
best management practices for milking routine. This session will provide a review of milking routine evaluation

OBJECTIVES: To become familiar with the recent literature on the best management practices for milking routine; To develop an understanding of the steps and procedures involved in a veterinary investigation into milking routine.

Equine Pharmacology
1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Avoiding a Drug Bust: Medications in Performance Horses
CE LEVEL 3
Dr. Trisha Dowling
This session will utilize case-based discussions to illustrate the medication and drug rules applicable to equine athletes in Canada. It will highlight available information that practitioners may use to guide their clients to avoid violations.

OBJECTIVES: To be aware of the medication and drug rules applicable to equine performance horses in Canada in order to avoid violations; To be able to provide equine clients with appropriate medication withdrawal recommendations.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Don’t Compound a Drug Problem
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Trisha Dowling
This session will review compounded veterinary products in equine practice, including appropriate use and the issues and liabilities that may arise when such products are ineffective or cause harm.

OBJECTIVES: To recognize when use of compounded veterinary products in equine practice is appropriate; To be aware of regulations and guidelines pertaining to use of compounded drugs; To learn about a check list that can be used to evaluate services of compounding pharmacies.

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Beyond Antimicrobial Roulette: Choosing Therapy in Equine Practice
CE LEVEL 2
Dr. Trisha Dowling
This session will include case-based discussions of current issues and options in the antimicrobial treatment of equine infectious diseases.

OBJECTIVES: To become familiar with current issues and options in the antimicrobial treatment of equine infectious diseases; To be able to evaluate culture and susceptibility data to choose appropriate antimicrobial therapy; To learn how to formulate appropriate treatment regimens for common infectious diseases.

Integration of Mind/Body Medicine (MBM) to Improve Your Veterinary Practice and Daily Life
8:15 am – 10:15 am
Scientific Basis of MBM: From Neuroscience to Quantum Physics: Part 1 & 2
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Allen Schoen
This session will review the latest research about the impact of our thoughts, intentions and minds on our mental, physical and emotional health. Suggestions for how to improve your professional and personal life will be presented.
OBJECTIVES: To become familiar with the science behind how our thoughts and minds impact our lives; To learn what we can do to improve the quality of our lives.

11:00 am – 11:50 am
Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction, Compassion Fatigue and the Healing Techniques
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Allen Schoen
There has been a great deal of dialogue on the impact of chronic stress and compassion fatigue in various medical fields including veterinary medicine. This session will explain and demonstrate a few simple techniques for reducing stress.

OBJECTIVES: To learn simple techniques that can be used daily to reduce stress and compassion fatigue.

1:30 pm – 2:20 pm
Experiential Practice with Various MBM Techniques
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Allen Schoen
Various techniques of mindfulness-based stress reduction, the relaxation response and other techniques will be shared through experiential practice.

OBJECTIVES: To experience various science-based mind/body techniques and to discover which one(s) might work best for you.

2:30 pm – 3:20 pm
Integration of MBM into Relationships with Staff, Colleagues, Clients and Animals
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Allen Schoen
Through over 35 years of clinical experience in veterinary practice, including emergency medicine, managing a number of multi-veterinarian companion and equine practices, referral practices and teaching at various veterinary schools and conferences, Dr. Schoen has found certain techniques that have been beneficial in relationships with staff, colleagues, clients and animals. His experience will be shared with attendees.

OBJECTIVES: To learn practical techniques that can be used to improve relationships in your daily veterinary practice.

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Integration of MBM into the Bigger Picture and the Future of Veterinary Practice and One Medicine Theory
CE LEVEL 1
Dr. Allen Schoen
The future of veterinary practice continues to evolve and stress appears to continue to increase throughout the world. A new world view of how veterinary medical practice can be of benefit to all beings in our community and society based on the integration of mind body medicine will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES: To understand the “The Transpecies Field Theory” and “The Compassionate Field Theory” and how they can be used to improve your veterinary practice.
MONDAY, JULY 11

9:00 am – 5:00 pm  ReKindling The Gift: Integrating Mind/Body Medicine Wellness to Improve your Veterinary Career and Life (Retreat) (For all veterinary professionals) $350

**CE LEVEL 1**

Dr. Allen Schoen

Take care of your deepest needs by opening your heart and quieting your mind. This one-day retreat with Dr. Allen Schoen will complement and expand on the information presented in his mind/body medicine sessions to be held on Sunday, July 10. This retreat offers in-depth, advanced experiences of relaxation, mindfulness, calmness and self-care. You will have the opportunity to delve much deeper into the exercises, experiences described in the sessions and learn more exercises, mindfulness techniques.

The retreat, geared to DVM’s RVT’s, staff and family members, will allow for more personal discussion time, to discuss issues that you would like to explore in your own personal wellness and the wellness of your staff. Time will be allotted to discuss how to best integrate mind/body wellness medicine and care into your own life and practice. Small discussion groups will share how different individuals are integrating wellness approaches in their own lives and practice. Discussion will also be centered on how to create a new vision of veterinary wellness as part of community outreach.

Sheraton on the Falls chef, Stacey Trottier with over 25 years of culinary experience, will provide delicious, organic healthy snacks and lunch using the best local ingredients.

*Recommended to attend the Mind/Body Medicine sessions on Sunday, July 10 since the retreat will build on concepts presented in the sessions.

*This retreat will be cancelled if less than 10 people register and fees will be refunded.
SPEAKERS

Dr. Melanie Boileau, Oklahoma State University Center for Veterinary Health Sciences, Stillwater, OK

Dr. Marguerite Cameron, Atlantic Veterinary College, Charlottetown

Dr. Michael Cockram, Atlantic Veterinary College, Charlottetown

Dr. Elizabeth J. Colleran, Chico Hospital for Cats, Chico, CA

Dr. Vincent Defalque, North West Veterinary Dermatology Services Ltd., Vancouver

Dr. Thomas Divers, College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Dr. Trisha Dowling, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK

Dr. Marnie Ford, Pacific Animal Eye Specialty Services, New Westminster, BC

Dr. Caleb Frankel, Brief Technology and Veterinary Specialty and Emergency Center, Philadelphia

Dr. Martin Godbout, Clinique vétérinaire Beauport, QC

Dr. Wendy Hauser, Peak Veterinary Consulting, Parker, CO

Dr. Stephanie Janeczko, American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, New York

Mr. David Liss, VCA Veterinary Specialists of the Valley, Woodland Hills, CA

Dr. Adam Little, Exponential Vet Inc., Guelph, ON

Dr. Susan Little, Bytown Cat Hospital, Ottawa, ON

Dr. Jessica McArt, College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Dr. Susan McTaggart, Dean Park Pet Hospital, North Saanich, BC

Dr. Brook Niemiec, Southern California Veterinary Dental Specialties, San Diego, CA

Dr. Charlie Pye, Ontario Veterinary College, Guelph, ON

Dr. Allen M. Schoen, Holistic Integrative Veterinary Healthcare, Sherman, CT

Dr. Ameet Singh, Ontario Veterinary College, Guelph, ON

Dr. Martha Smith-Blackmore, Animal Rescue League of Boston, Boston

Dr. Gregory Starrak, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK

Dr. Paulo Steagall, University of Montreal, Saint-Hyacinthe, PQ

Dr. Todd Tams, VCA West Los Angeles Animal Hospital, Los Angeles

Dr. Roland Thaler, Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Lansing, MI

Dr. Jeff Wichtel, Ontario Veterinary College, Guelph, ON
CVMA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The CVMA Professional Development Committee addresses all post-graduation continuing education issues, including the CVMA Convention, and other programs and recommends specific programs and action to the CVMA Council. The first CVMA Convention was held in Winnipeg in 1949. The CVMA Professional Development Committee members for 2016–2017 are:

- **Dr. Margaret Brown-Bury**  
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  St. John’s, NL

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- **Dr. Barbara Horney**  
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  Kitchener, ON

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The CVMA is the national voice for the veterinary profession dedicated to serving and representing the veterinarians of Canada. The Association is committed to excellence within the profession and to the well-being of animals. It promotes public awareness of the contribution of animals and veterinarians to society. Three strategic priorities underpin the work accomplished by the CVMA:

- Leadership on national veterinary issues;
- Animal welfare advocacy; and
- A successful career, a balanced life.
REGISTRATION

CVMA CONVENTION CALENDAR
March 15, 2016  Online registration opens
June 1, 2016  Early bird registration ends at midnight Last chance to cancel registration without penalty
June 3, 2016  Last day reduced hotel rates are available
June 30, 2016  Online registration closes
July 7 – 10, 2016  2016 CVMA Convention

Take advantage of the early bird rates and register before June 1, 2016.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
The CVMA Convention is designed for the entire hospital team – veterinarians, veterinary technicians and technologists, admin staff and veterinary students. The registration fees allow any member of the team to attend the Convention. Additional fees apply for wet labs and social evening.

All general registrations includes delegate bag, USB key with convention proceedings, all CE sessions from Thursday to Sunday, Welcome Reception, lunches, refreshment breaks and Exhibit Hall. *No lunch will be provided on Thursday, July 7, 2016. CVMA Members are invited to attend the CVMA AGM and Awards Ceremony. (Must pre-register for meal ticket).

Family members/companions: All accompanying friends, family members, including children of all ages, must be registered and wear a CVMA name badge. Admission to welcome reception, lunches, and refreshment breaks and Exhibit Hall included.

Clinic registration includes one badge, one delegate bag, USB key with convention proceedings, continuing education sessions, lunches, refreshment breaks, Welcome Reception and Exhibit Hall. A clinic registration allows two or more staff to share a registration. Only one clinic staff member can attend sessions at any given time. The badge sharing schedule is a clinic decision. We encourage you to register online at www.canadianveterinarians.net

If you are not able to register online, please contact conventions@cvma-acmv.org to obtain a paper registration form.

Cancellations and Refunds
• Registration cancellations must be sent in writing by email or mail.
• A full refund will be issued up to and including May 30, 2016.
• Cancellations from June 1, 2016 to June 24, 2016 are subject to a 50% refund.
• Registration cancellations made as of June 25, 2016 or “no-shows” will not be refunded.
• No refunds will be given onsite once registration opens on Thursday, July 7, 2016.

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Call 1-800-567-2862 to join CVMA and take advantage of the membership promotion!
SECTION 1 PERSONAL INFORMATION
Salutation: First Name: Last Name:
Name Preferred on Badge:
Please indicate your designation: □ DVM □ RVT/RAHT □ AHT/VT □ Other:
Email: Phone: □ home □ work □ cell
Place of Employment: Business Address:
City: Province/State: Postal Code/Zip: Country:

SECTION 2 DELEGATE PROFILE
I am attending for the first time: □ Yes □ No
Graduating College: Year of graduation:
Gender: □ Male □ Female
Age Range: □ 18–29 □ 30–39 □ 40–49 □ 50–59 □ 60+
Dietary Restrictions/Severe Food Allergies:
Registration Type: □ Veterinarian □ Veterinary Technician/Technologist □ Hospital Staff □ Student □ Other:
Position Type: □ Practice Owner □ Multiple Practice Owner □ Associate □ Hospital/Clinic Manager □ Technician □ Locum □ Other:
Employment Base: □ Private Practice □ Academia □ Industry □ Government □ Research □ Other:
Patient Base: □ Mixed Animal (>50% small animal) □ Mixed Animal (<50% small animal) □ Small Animal □ Large Animal □ Other:
Which CE sessions are you MOST LIKELY to attend?
Friday, July 8, 2016: SMALL ANIMAL: □ Dentistry □ Tissue Surgery □ Anesthesia & Pain Mgt. □ Diagnostic Imaging
RUMINANT: □ Camelid Medicine □ Ewe/Doe Diseases □ EQUINE: □ Internal Medicine □ OTHER: □ Practice Mgt.
Saturday, July 9, 2016: SMALL ANIMAL: □ Dermatology □ Ophthalmology □ Anesthesia & Pain Mgt. □ Shelter Medicine
RUMINANT: □ Periparturient Cow □ Pharmacology □ EQUINE: □ Lameness □ Back Problems □ OTHER: □ Animal Welfare
Sunday, July 10, 2016: SMALL ANIMAL: □ Feline Practice □ Behaviour □ Gastroenterology
LARGE ANIMAL: □ Bovine Mastitis □ Equine Pharmacology □ OTHER: □ Mind-Body Medicine

SECTION 3 REGISTRATION
Veterinarians
CVMA Member $645.00 $745.00 $350.00
CVMA Retired Member* $325.00 $375.00 $175.00
Non-Member $795.00 $895.00 $375.00
RVT/Admin Staff/Hospital Manager $325.00 $375.00 $225.00
IVOC Member $645.00 $745.00 $375.00
Student** $150.00 $150.00 $75.00
Local Clinic*** $1,000.00 $1,100.00 –

* A veterinarian who currently holds the status of ‘Retired member’ with the CVMA.
** To take advantage at this rate, a student is defined as someone enrolled in full-time studies at one of Canada’s five veterinary colleges.
*** This registration can be shared by two or more staff, but only one staff member can attend sessions at any given time. The badge sharing is a hospital/clinic decision. To download the form, visit www.canadianveterinarians.net

Companion/Family Badges:
Companion $65.00 × Companion 1 Name:
13 – 18 Years $65.00 × Companion 1 Name:
7 – 12 Years $65.00 × Child 1 Name:
0 – 6 Years FREE × Child 2 Name:
□ Thursday □ Friday □ Saturday □ Sunday Child 3 Name:
Daily Companion Badges includes 1 lunch, refreshment breaks and access to Exhibit Hall (except on Friday).
### ADDITIONAL EVENTS

**Thursday, July 7, 2016**

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<td>Welcome Reception (5:30 pm – 7:30 pm) *included with general registration or daily Friday registration</td>
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<td>CVMA Social Evening (7:00 pm – 12:00 am)</td>
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<td>ReKindling the Gift: Integration Mind/Body Wellness Retreat (9:00 am – 5:00 pm)</td>
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### ADDITIONAL COMPLIMENTARY EVENTS

**Thursday, July 7, 2016**

- ECC FUNdamentals Lecture (8:00 am – 9:00 am) (included with CPR for Veterinary Technicians Lab)
- CVMA Summit (8:30 am – 5:30 pm)
- CVMA AGM and Awards Luncheon (12:00 pm – 2:00 pm) – CVMA Members Only
- Train Wrecks and Car Crashes: ECC Disaster Cases! Case Review Lecture (2:00 pm – 3:00 pm) (included with Emergency Procedures Lab)
- Hills Interactive Dinner (6:30 pm – 9:00 pm)

**Friday, July 8, 2016**

- Litecure Interactive Breakfast Session (6:30 am – 8:00 am)
- CVMA National Issues Forum (1:00 pm – 1:50 pm)
- Ontario Veterinary College Alumni Reception (7:00 pm – 9:00 pm)

**Saturday, July 9, 2016**

- Merial Fun Run with breakfast (6:00 am – 8:00 am)
- Merial Yoga session with breakfast (6:00 am – 8:00 am)
- MNP LLC Interactive Breakfast (6:30 am – 8:00 am)

**Sunday, July 10, 2016**

- Christian Veterinary Missions of Canada Breakfast (7:00 am – 8:00 am)

### Payment Breakdown

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Payment can be made by: □ VISA □ MasterCard □ Cheque

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Name on Card:

As a registrant, I hereby represent that I am over the age of 18 and consent to and permit photography of me to be used by CVMA for any purpose, including educational and promotional, in any medium, including print and electronic and waive any claim for compensation of any kind accordingly.
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- International relations to provide the Canadian veterinary perspective
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- Animal health week annual awareness campaign

MORE SAVINGS
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- The Personal home and auto group savings
- Scotiabank® business banking and lending solutions
- The CVJ classified ads discount
- Staples Advantage™ business products
- Adtel® telephone hold service and digital signage
- Petro-Canada SuperPass™ fuel/diesel/car wash discount
- WSAVA World Congress discounted registration fee
- Plumb’s Veterinary Drugs™ subscription discount

MORE RESOURCES
Practice tools and resources to support you and your practice team.
- CVMA web store MyVetStore.ca™
- Practice owner’s economic survey
- Practice diagnostic and valuation report
- Provincial suggested fee guide
- Associate compensation and benefits report
- Compensation report for non-DVM staff
- Compensation report for DVMs outside private practice
- Practice management articles
- CVMA group insurance program
- CVMA mentoring program
- VetLaw Online™ legal advice column
- CVMA Green Veterinary Practice and self-audit tool
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- Veterinarians health and wellness resources
- Guidelines for the successful employment of new veterinary graduates
- Sedative, anaesthetic and pain management protocols posters
- Guidelines for the legitimate use of compounded drugs in veterinary practice
- Antimicrobial prudent use guidelines for beef cattle, dairy cattle, poultry and swine
- Therapeutic decision cascade poster
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