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Prince Edward Island Veterinarian appointed 67th President of the
Canadian Veterinary Medical Association

OTTAWA, Ont. – Dr. Nicole Gallant of Kensington, P.E.I., has been appointed the 67th national president of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA). Dr. Gallant succeeds Dr. Jean Gauvin, of Lachine, Québec, whose term as president officially came to an end on July 19, 2015.

“It is an honour to continue my work with the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association as its president,” says Dr. Gallant, who has worked with the CVMA for eight years. “I look forward to representing the profession across the country as CVMA continues to be the national and international voice for Canada’s veterinarians, providing leadership and advocacy for veterinary medicine.”

Upon graduation from the Faculté de médecine vétérinaire at the University of Montreal in 1983, Dr. Gallant returned to Prince Edward Island to practice at the Kensington Veterinary Clinic, a mixed animal practice, for what was supposed to be one year, but has now turned into 32 years to date.

Her love for working with animals began at a young age when she was her father’s shadow on their mixed animal farm in western P.E.I. She was raised in the Evangeline area of P.E.I. which is a francophone Acadian community until she was 11, when they moved to Summerside, P.E.I. where she went to English secondary school.

Dr. Gallant became a partner at the Kensington Veterinary Clinic in 1990. Her main interest and focus upon graduation was large animal practice while still maintaining an interest in small animal health care for the first 20 years in the practice. She now enjoys working part time and focusing on small animal care while still doing some large animal work.

She became a councillor on the Prince Edward Island Veterinary Medical Association (PEIVMA) in 1988 and became its registrar the following year until 2002. In 2007, she was voted PEIVMA representative on CVMA Council and then voted onto CVMA Executive in July 2012.

Dr. Gallant’s hobbies include reading, gardening, travel, biking, and walking, especially with her dogs on Prince Edward Island’s beaches.

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