



PEANUT
CHIHUAHUA

1 year old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Peanut has a box full of toys
but would rather steal socks
from the washing basket!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Received surgery for a tracheal
tear at the RVC's Queen Mother
Hospital for Animals.



Continuing professional development

Continuing exceptional performance

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By far the best thing I've ever done for my veterinary education!”

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As with other RVC courses, excellent tutors.”

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This is the fifth online CPD course I have done with the RVC and I have found them all to be excellent.”

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All your courses are excellent value for money and well run. I always feel like I leave a better vet.”

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Less expensive and better facilities than other CPD providers.”

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MILEY
MINIATURE DACHSHUND

8 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Miley loves going out for walks but she is not a lover of rain and will walk under bushes to avoid getting wet!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Admitted to the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals for suspected spinal issues. Luckily no surgery was needed but crate rest advised.



JILL MADDISON
HUMAN

Age - not disclosed

☆ **FUN FACT**

Jill has a passion for shoes, bags and coats. She says she loves living in England as the weather gives her an excuse to get a new coat every year!



Regularly sighted consulting at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.

Welcome to our 2019 CPD brochure!

2018 was one of our best CPD years ever at the RVC and we have high hopes that 2019 will exceed it! We are proud that our CPD provides deep learning opportunities that encourages participants to think critically about their work. The consistent positive feedback we receive about our courses, whether they be onsite or online, inspires and motivates us to do even better each year. It is a very, very, very crowded CPD market out there. To survive and thrive we need to ensure that our courses are delivering what veterinarians and veterinary nurses in practice want and need. I am immensely proud of our team of superb and committed educators. They are at the top of their professional fields with a passion for teaching and learning. This shines through in the wonderful feedback they receive and their engagement with the participants, be it online or onsite. The amazing teamwork that is a key feature of RVC's clinical care is also evident in the multidisciplinary CPD courses we offer.

As I do every year, I want to take this opportunity to muse a little about online learning opportunities and how to fit them into a busy life. Our online portfolio of courses is one of the most extensive in the world and the quality of tutoring second to none. We make no apologies for the fact that they take time, commitment and energy to complete. Lack of time to do the courses justice though, is a relatively common comment we receive. Online courses have a number of practical advantages – no need to travel or pay for accommodation, time to reflect on what has been heard/read/viewed, an opportunity to engage with different learning activities that suit your own learning style and the ability to review the work as many times as needed to embed learning. Our lives are very busy and we



all can suffer from “magic thinking” where we believe that extra time will appear in our week to allow us to do extra work/play/sleep. However, it doesn't! Although more flexible than onsite CPD, online courses still require time, concentration and self-directed motivation to learn. No practice manager queries that you have booked off time to go to London Vet Show, BSAVA Congress, BEVA Congress or a CPD course running over one or several days. Yet somehow this courtesy is not given to online CPD. We hope that every participant can gain the most from the courses they have enrolled in by recognising they need to plan time to engage and experience the full learning opportunities online CPD provides.

Our photo theme this year features some of the wonderful animals that have been cared for by RVC's veterinarians in our hospitals and practices. The superb photos have been taken by Richard Addison. We are very grateful to our clients for bringing their pets to be photographed and the pets themselves for being so photogenic. I also gratefully acknowledge Elias Weiss Friedman aka 'The Dogist' for the styling inspiration. If you want to start your day with a smile, follow him on Instagram.

We hope you will find something in our portfolio to interest and inspire your professional development and are very much looking forward to welcoming you to the RVC – either onsite or online – in 2019.

Jill Maddison

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Professor of General Practice and Director of Professional
Development, RVC

MR SPOCK
DOMESTIC SHORTHAIR

3 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

He knows what he likes and he knows how to get it! Strangely for a cat, that includes a belly rub!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Regular blood donor at the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals.



Small animal medicine, dermatology, ophthalmology and clinical pathology

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*I learnt far more than I was anticipating.
The information learnt from the course
was not only interesting but has had a
positive effect on the way I approach
clinical cases on a daily basis.*

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Logical clinical problem solving

CLINICAL THERAPEUTICS ONLINE

Monday 14th January
to Sunday 24th February



Do you ever wonder if there is more to clinical pharmacology than knowing the dose rate?

This online course will cover many of the major drug classes used in small animal practice. The emphasis will be on enhancing your knowledge and understanding of what drugs are indicated for which disorders as well as the how, when and why of drug action and side effects.

Why do this course?

You will enhance your understanding of clinical pharmacology in general, and a variety of different drugs and classes in particular, allowing you to be more confident about the drugs you use and prescribe for your patients.

Key areas

- Principles of clinical pharmacology
- GI drugs
- Pain management
- Cardiovascular drugs
- Cancer chemotherapy
- Antimicrobials
- Corticosteroids
- Anticonvulsants

Previous participants have commented...

"Absolutely brilliant course – both for revising long-forgotten basics and for updating general areas and then extending to actually understanding more about why to pick therapeutic protocols."

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, supplementary reading, self-assessment exercises and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with their colleagues and the tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to a range of CertAVP modules (see our website)

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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Holger Volk DVM DipECVN PhD FHEA MRCVS, Department Chair and Professor for Small Animal Diseases, University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover

LOGICAL CLINICAL PROBLEM SOLVING ONLINE

Monday 21st January
to Sunday 3rd March



Do you find medical cases frustrating rather than fun? Does the thought of seeing a patient with chronic diarrhoea make your heart sink? Would you like to increase your confidence so that you can assess and manage medical cases competently? Would you like to enjoy practice more and get a buzz of excitement rather than a frisson of fear from medical cases?

Why do this course?

This course is designed to equip you with the knowledge and skills required to apply logical problem solving skills to some of the important clinical signs seen in small animal practice.

Key areas

- Introduction to logical clinical problem solving
- Problem based approach to vomiting, diarrhoea, weight loss, polyuria/polydipsia and anaemia
- Interpretation of clinical pathology related to liver and pancreatic disease
- Interpretation of clinical pathology related to renal function
- Interpretation of the haemogram

Previous participants have commented...

"I'd like to say how much I enjoyed the course – how it is so useful in practice, uses so much common sense and logic, doesn't rely on pages of lists and most importantly considers the value and relevance of further 'tests' including the cost to the owner."

"While there was lots of useful advice and 'updates' on treating medical conditions, the unique and best part about this course was that it explained how to approach problems/cases. It is far harder to find and learn this kind of information elsewhere."

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include online presentations, electronic course notes, supplementary reading, case assessments and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with their colleagues and the tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Practice (B-SAP.1), Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.8, 9 and 10)

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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FELINE NEUROLOGY ONLINE – A PROBLEM BASED APPROACH

Monday 11th February
to Sunday 24th March

New in 2019



*Do you find doing a neurological exam on a cat challenging?
Are you worried you might be missing important clues?*

Cats with neurological signs can be confusing and therefore planning the next diagnostic or therapeutic step can be complicated. The aim of this course is to provide you with the knowledge and skills to confidently assess and manage neurological cats in general practice. The course will involve many clinical case discussions where real cases will be presented and discussed to strengthen your problem-solving skills in feline neurology.

Why do this course?

This course will increase your confidence in neurolocalisation and your problem solving skills, and will provide you with many tips on how to enhance and apply your knowledge about feline neurology.

Key areas

- The neurological examination in cats – how do I get started?
- Clinical reasoning – is it really neurological? Defining the system
- Clinical reasoning – eurolocalisation and differentials
- Systemic diseases with neurological signs in cats
- Problem solving in spinal diseases
- Weakness in cats – when could this have a neurological cause?
- Unique feline neurological disorders
- Anisocoria in cats – when should I be worried?
- The vestibular cat – when to consider further diagnostic tests
- Feline neurological emergencies – what can I do?

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, videos, case assessments, self-assessment quizzes and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Course fee: £725

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.7)

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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HAEMATOLOGY AND CYTOLOGY ONLINE

Monday 25th February
to Sunday 7th April



Would you be interested in increasing your skills in examining blood smears and fine needle aspirates to expand the service you can provide to your patients?

The ever-widening availability of in-house haematology analysers has provided many benefits for patient care. In many practices however, there is a skills gap in relation to blood smear examination in-house. Yet this is an essential skill for these machines to be used reliably and safely.

This course is for practitioners who wish to develop and enhance their skills in haematology and cytology. The course uses a case-based teaching approach. There is an active tutor-moderated discussion forum to discuss any questions regarding technique, the study cases, specific topics in haematology and cytology, and participants' cases.

Why do this course?

You will improve your skills and efficiency in preparing and assessing high quality blood smears and cytological samples.

Key areas

- Microscopic skills – setup and care
- Top tips on making high quality blood smears, fine needle aspirates, imprints and fluid preparations
- Systematic and efficient approach to the interpretation of peripheral blood smears, common skin masses, lymph node, organ and cavity aspirates
- Understanding the strength and weakness of haematology analysers

Previous participants have commented...

"A big thanks to the tutors for their time and knowledge and to all the participants for sharing their ideas and their cases."

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated learning experience. Resources include an online haematology and cytology manual, videos, a multitude of case assessment exercises and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with their colleagues and the tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP module: Clinical Pathology (C-VP.2)

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR PLUS: FELINE FOCUS

Monday 4th to Sunday 31st March

New in 2019



We all know cats are special but how special? When can we treat them like small dogs and when is that unwise?

In this online course we will focus on some key areas where our feline friends can cause real challenges if we don't appreciate how they can differ from dogs. Four major areas posing specific challenges are: interpretation of clinical pathology, especially related to the liver and pancreas; anaesthesia – especially the problems of anaesthetic and analgesic drug choices, endotracheal intubation, fluid therapy, hypothermia and making your monitors work in small patients; emergency and critical care where cats present with different disease processes and respond in different ways to sepsis and shock; and therapeutics where cats just love to metabolise drugs differently to dogs which can have significant consequences in relation to the efficacy of the drug and risk of adverse reactions.

Why do this course?

To enhance your appreciation of the difference between cats and dogs in key areas of their care and management.

Key areas

- Clin path challenges – cats vs dogs
- Feline anaesthetic challenges and how to manage them
- Clinical pharmacology – avoiding adverse reactions
- The emergency feline patient

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Practice (B-SAP.1), Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.5 and 9), Emergency and Critical Care (C-ECC.1, 2 and 3), Small Animal Anaesthesia and Analgesia (C-VA.1 and 3)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR PLUS: A MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO URINARY TRACT DISORDERS

Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May



Are you looking to review and find out the latest in the management of urinary stone disease? Are there tips you would find helpful to manage difficult lower urinary tract disease in cats?

We see conditions relating to the kidneys and the urinary tract every day but some of them can become a challenge either in terms of requiring emergency management, or because they need us to consider both medical and surgical options for the patient.

This multidisciplinary course will cover a wide range of urinary based topics from a medical, emergency and surgical perspective. It is aimed at the motivated general practitioner who is looking to refresh their day to day knowledge on acute and chronic urinary tract issues.

Why do this course?

This course will serve as a refresher of key concepts relating to each of the conditions covered.

Key areas

- Acute kidney injury
- Canine urolithiasis
- Feline lower urinary tract disease
- Urinary incontinence

Previous participants have commented...

"[I enjoyed] the practical aspect of this course."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.9), Emergency and Critical Care (C-ECC.1 and 3)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR: THE CHALLENGE OF CHRONIC OTITIS

Friday 3rd May

New in 2019



Not sure how to tackle the nightmare of unresolving, chronic or recurrent otitis?

Ear disease is a common problem in dogs and as we are all well aware may be very difficult to resolve. Successful management is much more than just choosing another stronger ear preparation. This webinar aims to help you unpick the challenge of successful otitis management using case examples.

Why do this course?

You will learn to apply a problem-based enquiry and a focused but adaptable approach to the management of challenging otitis cases, and to consider preventative strategies.

Key areas

- Otitis as a multifactorial process
- Identifying causes of unresolving, chronic or recurrent otitis
- Defining the aims and planning the approach
- Monitoring and problem-solving
- Success at last – what next?

Course details

Course type: Webinar

Course format: Live webinar with an opportunity for Q&As with the lecturer plus access to recorded version for 2 weeks

Course length: Two hours

CPD hours: 2

Course fee: £50*

*Recorded version will be available to purchase for £30 per webinar approximately two weeks after the live course date.

Please see page 70 for further details about our webinar courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR PLUS: FELINE ENDOCRINOLOGY

Monday 6th May to Sunday 2nd June



One in three diabetic cats can be cured. Acromegaly can occur in non-diabetic cats. If you treat hyperthyroidism with medication, you are opening the door for cancer. If you are curious about these statements, you will definitely learn a lot during this course on feline endocrinology!

In the past decade, significant advances have occurred in the field of feline endocrinology. Achieving diabetic remission is now, rightly or wrongly, heavily promoted, there is an additional option for the treatment of hyperthyroidism (but which option is best?) and acromegaly is now recognised as a severely underdiagnosed endocrinopathy in diabetic cats, as well as non-diabetic cats. In summary – lots to discuss!

Why do this course?

You will feel much more confident about managing your feline cases with hormonal disease.

Key areas

- Feline diabetes mellitus update
- Feline acromegaly – update on presentation, diagnosis and treatment
- Feline hyperthyroidism
- Uncommon feline endocrinopathies
- What to do when endocrinopathies clash with co-morbidities

Previous participants have commented...

“I thoroughly enjoyed the webinars, feel that I learned a lot about the current state of feline endocrinopathies, and really liked the international aspect of the course.”

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.6 and 8)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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OPHTHALMOLOGY ONLINE – A PROBLEM BASED APPROACH

Monday 2nd September to Sunday 13th October



Does the thought of having to see an “eye case” make you anxious? Do you fear you are not getting the most out of your ophthalmic exam? Are you confused about what treatment is best for corneal ulcers?

An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, a downloadable booklet to pre-read, where basic information and definitions will be explained, videos, supplementary reading, self-assessment quizzes and active discussion forums each week in which participants review and discuss clinical material with colleagues

Why do this course?

This course will help improve your ophthalmology problem solving skills, provide you with tips on how to enhance your ophthalmic examination skills and build your knowledge about small animal ophthalmology.

Key areas

- The ophthalmic exam – tips and tricks
- Develop a logical diagnostic and therapeutic approach to the:
 - Red eye
 - Opaque eye
 - Blind eye
 - Wet eye
- Abnormal pupil sizes and what they mean

Previous participants have commented...

“Even as a GP with a lot of general eye knowledge, I definitely gained a lot from this course. Thank you!”

“This is by far my favourite course in this format so far.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, a booklet where basic information and definitions will be explained, videos, supplementary reading, self-assessment quizzes and active discussion forums each week in which participants review and discuss clinical material with colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR PLUS: CANINE ENDOCRINOLOGY

Monday 23rd September to Sunday 20th October



Is the ACTH stimulation test out of vogue? Cannot get DOCP to work in your cases? Never used continuous subcutaneous glucose monitoring in your diabetic dogs at home?

The field of canine endocrinology has changed a lot in the past few years. During this course we will aim to make you more comfortable and confident in diagnosing and managing a range of canine endocrine disorders. You will be updated on the use of new drugs like DOCP for hypoadrenocorticism, a range of insulin types and GLP-1 agonists for diabetes mellitus, as well as the use of and monitoring of “old” drugs like trilostane used in new ways (once, twice or three times a day? Is there any point monitoring with an ACTH stim test?).

Why do this course?

The course will help you practice up-to-date medicine and deliver the best possible service to your clients and to your canine patients with endocrine disease.

Key areas

- Canine diabetes mellitus
- Hyperadrenocorticism
- Hypoadrenocorticism
- Hypothyroidism – how to avoid unnecessary treatment
- Key facts on less common canine endocrinopathies (insulinoma, pituitary dwarfism, hyperaldosteronism)
- Basic considerations around hypercalcemic disorders

Previous participants have commented...

“The course was well taught, clear, and extremely useful.

It will also make an excellent point of reference in the future!”

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online case-based discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.3 and 8)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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CLINICAL PROBLEM SOLVING IN SMALL ANIMAL NEUROLOGY ONLINE

Monday 30th September to Sunday 10th November



No need for neurophobia – the five finger rule will enable you to tackle any neuro case with confidence!

This course aims to equip you with the knowledge and skills required to apply clinical reasoning skills to important neurological problems that present in small animal practice. Not only will you develop and strengthen your problem solving skills in veterinary neurology, you will also become more confident in identifying abnormalities seen on the neurological examination and in managing neurological cases.

Why do this course?

Neurology is like maths – people either love it or hate it. We will provide you with tools to enable you to think like a neurologist and feel confident to manage any neurological presentation. We hope to make you love neurology!

Key areas

- The perfect neurological examination for dogs or cats and how to localise the lesion
- Problem solving and management of seizure disorders
- Vestibular system – central or peripheral? What does it really mean?
- Problem solving in spinal diseases – specific neuro exam findings for specific diseases
- Weakness – define the problem, define the system
- Neurological emergencies – no reason to panic

Previous participants have commented...

“Holger was very approachable and he answered all questions quickly and thoroughly.”

“The course made me approach neurology cases in a much more organised way.”

“Holger was great, always good to have a tutor who is very enthusiastic about their subject.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, videos, case assessments, self-assessment quizzes and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.7)

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutor

Holger Volk DVM DipECVN PhD FHEA MRCVS, Department Chair and Professor for Small Animal Diseases, University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover

GETTING THE BEST OUT OF YOUR MICROSCOPE – THE ESSENTIALS

Tuesday 22nd October



Have you ever felt frustrated on a bank holiday weekend or out of hours, when you looked down the microscope, wishing you could make sense of all the cells on your smear?

Then this hands-on CPD is for you! This course will help you gain confidence about what can be seen down the scope and what it means. This will help you maximise the value of the practice microscope to the benefit of your patients and clients, whatever the day or time.

Why do this course?

As well as lectures to refresh the basic in haematology, cytology, and urinalysis, this course offers practical sessions on the microscope, where you can immediately apply what you have just learned. You will have a collection of cases to work through with your microscope, while the course tutors, specialists in clinical pathology and dermatology, will assist you and answer your questions.

Key areas

- How to make good quality smears from aspirates and blood
- Blood smear evaluation – cell morphology and interpretation
- Cytology of lumps and bumps, skin and ears
- Urinalysis – brushing up the basics

Previous participants have commented...

“Excellent day’s CPD. The hands on practical aspect made it very relevant to practice and a great learning tool. Many thanks.”

“Very good CPD, learnt a lot and excited to continue progressing in practice.”

“Brilliant course, very clear and concise notes backed up by practical slides.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical microscopy sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP module: Pathology (C-VP.2)

Course fee: £399

Tutors

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Emma Holmes BVetMed MVetMed DipACVP MRCVS, Lecturer in Veterinary Clinical Pathology, RVC

Laureen M Peters Dr.med.vet MVetMed Diplomate ACVP MRCVS, Lecturer in Veterinary Clinical Pathology, RVC

PRACTICAL ENDOSCOPY

Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th December



Do you have an endoscope in your practice that rarely leaves the cupboard? Are you performing endoscopy on a regular basis but would like to improve your technique?

This two-day lecture and cadaver based practical course aims to guide clinicians on how to use their endoscope effectively and with confidence. You will receive tuition on handling and use of both flexible and rigid endoscopes along with discussion of the most commonly performed diagnostic procedures.

Why do this course?

You will increase your confidence about knowing when and how to use this important diagnostic technique in your clinical cases.

Key areas

- Endoscopic equipment
- Endoscopy of the GI tract
- Rhinoscopy and Tracheobronchoscopy
- Cystoscopy
- Placement of PEG tubes

Previous participants have commented...

“Overall superb value for money, pitched at the right level and with some fantastic tips to take back to the practice.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.9)

Course fee: £949

Tutors

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MASON SMOOTH COLLIE

4 years old

☆ FUN FACT

He moved with his Mom all the way from Florida, USA while she is a student on the RVC's BVetMed programme.

♡ TREATMENT RECEIVED

Mason has been seen by both the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital and the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals for intermittent limping.



BROOK
COCKER SPANIEL

3 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Brook is happiest being a working gundog or snuggled on the sofa.

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Brook inhaled a whole husk of wheat which lodged in her lung. She had an endoscopy to remove it at the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals.



Emergency care and anaesthesia

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I found the course really helpful and I've learnt a lot. Definitely worth the money.

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Local anaesthetic techniques

WEBINAR PLUS: FUNDAMENTALS OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE: PART 2

Monday 14th January
to Sunday 10th February

New in 2019



Learn to deal confidently with some of the specific emergency situations that could otherwise leave you panicked.

Following on from part 1 which was run in 2018, this standalone Webinar Plus course moves beyond some of the broader emergency patient situations to drill down on common specific scenarios that are encountered in practice. Subjects to be covered include diagnosis and treatment of bleeding patients, how to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation to currently recommended standards, what to learn from mistakes in the emergency room and a selection of titbits and tips from a range of other case examples. The course will be full of practical techniques and tips that you will be able to apply in your clinic.

Why do this course?

Whether you are a first opinion practitioner, starting out on emergency duty, looking to solidify your core emergency skills or are returning to practice after a career break, this course will help make you a more confident emergency clinician.

Key areas

- Recognition and treatment of coagulopathies
- RECOVER guidelines for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and how to use them in your clinic
- Learning from mistakes in the emergency room
- Common emergencies with case examples and practical tips

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Emergency and Critical Care (C-ECC.1, 2 and 3)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses. Fundamentals of Emergency Medicine: Part 1 can be bought as a recorded Webinar Plus course (see page 71).

Tutors

Lindsay Kellett-Gregory BSc BVetMed DipACVECC DipECVECC FHEA MRCVS, Specialist in Emergency and Critical Care, Dick White Referrals

Duana McBride BVSc DipACVECC MVMedSc FHEA MRCVS, Emergency and Critical Care Veterinarian

WEBINAR PLUS: MANAGEMENT OF THE SMALL ANIMAL TRAUMA PATIENT: PART 1

Monday 4th to Sunday 31st March



Do you have a tendency to panic when you are faced with the patient who has sustained major trauma?

This course is the first of two related courses on management of the trauma patient. It will cover initial management strategies and recognition of priorities as well as techniques and definitive/temporary strategies to manage the patient with soft tissue, orthopaedic and neurological injuries.

Why do this course?

The course aims to equip you with the tools that are required to manage the trauma patient and so increase your confidence and reduce your stress!

Key areas

- Triage of the ECC patient
- Initial stabilisation and diagnostics
- Management of urogenital trauma
- Management of the acute abdomen
- Getting the most out of your orthopaedic examination
- Traumatic brain injuries and acute spinal cord injuries

Previous participants have commented...

"Questions were answered quickly and in detail. The tutors took the time to consult colleagues from other disciplines to make sure the replies were accurate and comprehensive."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Emergency and Critical Care (C-ECC.2 and 3), Soft Tissue Surgery (C-SAS.3)

Course fee: £349 or £650 for both parts 1 and 2

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR PLUS: PROBLEM-SOLVING IN SMALL ANIMAL ANAESTHESIA

Monday 3rd to Sunday 30th June



Do you feel confident with your anaesthesia skills? Can you answer your nurses' questions on anaesthesia or help them with anaesthetic problems? Does your heart sink when you have to anaesthetise a sick patient or a caesarean section? Would you like to improve your anaesthetic management for both routine and sick cases?

The aim of this course is to provide practical day-to-day advice for managing common anaesthesia scenarios in practice.

Why do this course?

You will learn recent advances in anaesthesia that you can start to use in practice the following day – improving your anaesthesia in practice before the course has finished!

Key areas

- Designing an anaesthetic plan for individualised patient care
- Monitoring and supportive care
- Anaesthesia of the routine patient
- Pain assessment and effective pain management
- A logical approach to anaesthetic problem-solving
- Anaesthetising the sick or unwell patient
- Anaesthetising special cases, for example caesarean sections, paediatric or geriatric patients

Previous participants have commented...

"I was extremely impressed with level of feedback and the detailed individualised responses. This took a lot of time and effort. Thank you!"

"Really useful, and it has already changed the way I view anaesthesia."

"Best Webinar Plus course I've done yet."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online self-assessment quizzes, case discussions, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Anaesthesia essay for Small Animal Practice (B-SAP.1), Small Animal Anaesthesia and Analgesia (C-VA.1), Critical Care and Analgesia (C-ECC.3)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Kate Borer-Weir BVSc PhD DVA DipECVAA FHEA MRCVS, European Specialist in Veterinary Anaesthesia

EMERGENCY PATIENT ONLINE

Monday 16th September to Sunday 27th October



Emergencies are common in all practices, not just after hours!

Emergency cases can be some of the most fun and rewarding patients seen in veterinary practice. However, they can also be some of the more challenging and stressful patients to treat. This course will provide you with a rational and logical approach to the assessment of the emergency patient.

Why do this course?

You will learn diagnostic and therapeutic approaches to common emergency and trauma cases to increase your confidence and reduce your stress levels.

Key areas

- The "shocked" patient
- The approach and stabilisation of the trauma patient
- The dyspnoeic emergency – assessment and stabilisation
- A rational approach to fluid therapy in the emergency patient
- The "acute" abdomen
- Bleeding emergencies and transfusion therapy
- Nutritional support of hospitalised patients
- Sepsis and new advances in management of critically ill patients

Previous participants have commented...

"This course made me realise I have so much to learn still."

"This course was fantastic and I wish it didn't end."

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, videos, case assessments, self-assessment quizzes and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with their colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Emergency and Critical Care (C-ECC.1, 2 and 3)

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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WEBINAR PLUS: MANAGEMENT OF THE SMALL ANIMAL TRAUMA PATIENT: PART 2

Monday 4th November
to Sunday 1st December

New for 2019



Are you worried about how to manage patients with multiple-traumatic injuries? Worried how best to manage serious wounds? What dressing to use? How to manage trauma to the eye, neck or thorax? How to safely anaesthetise the trauma patient?

This course, the second of a two-part series can be taken independently to the first trauma management or as a follow-on course. It will cover extensive soft tissue injuries including the management of skin wounds (triage, dressing, surgical techniques), neck and thoracic trauma cases, ophthalmologic emergencies and how to anaesthetise patients with complex injuries. We will provide you with a comprehensive guide so you can review, consolidate and update your knowledge on the management of these challenging patients.

Why do this course?

The course aims to equip you with the tools that are required to manage the trauma patient and so increase your confidence and reduce your stress! This course will be excellent for anyone in general practice or vets working in emergency practices. It will also be useful for vets with a specific interest in surgery, anaesthesia and ophthalmology or studying for advanced practitioner certificates.

Key areas

- Wound management
- Anaesthesia of the multiple-trauma patient
- Thoracic and neck trauma patients – initial stabilisation, imaging, surgical management and post-operative care
- Ophthalmologic trauma including diagnosis, stabilisation and definitive treatment

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), multiple choice questions, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Emergency and Critical Care (C-ECC.2 and 3), Soft Tissue Surgery (C-SAS.2 and C-SAS.3), Small Animal Anaesthesia and Analgesia (C-VA.1 and C-VA.3)

Course fee: £349 or £650 for both parts 1 and 2

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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Charlotte Dawson BVetMed MVetMed DipECVO MRCVS, Lecturer in Veterinary Ophthalmology, RVC

Lynda Rutherford BVM&S MVetMed DipECVS FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

LOCAL ANAESTHETIC TECHNIQUES

Friday 8th November



Are you sure we can block that? How do you do it?!

This is a practical onsite course that aims to teach participants the skills required to implement local anaesthesia techniques on a day-to-day basis in veterinary practice. The course is designed to cover information relevant for both vets and nurses. We encourage vets and nurses from the same practice to attend the course so that a coordinated approach to analgesia in their practice can be developed. Relevant legislation will be covered.

Why do this course?

This course will be useful for those who want to start with the basic local anaesthesia techniques but also for those who want to improve/learn more advanced techniques.

Key areas

Lectures

- Clinical pharmacology of local anaesthetic drugs
- Indications and practical techniques for local anaesthesia

Practical sessions

- Epidurals/spinal anaesthesia
- Head/dental blocks
- Hindlimb and forelimb blocks
- Other useful local anaesthetic techniques

Previous participants have commented...

"It felt like one of the best CPD courses I have ever done. Thank you for a great day of learning. I really enjoyed it."

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Anaesthesia and Analgesia (C-VA.1)

Course fee: Vet and nurse team: £998; Vet only: £699; Nurse only: £349

Tutors

Lisa Angell VTS (Anaesthesia/Analgesia) RVN, Head Anaesthesia Nurse, RVC

Sandra Sanchis Mora DVM MVetMed PhD MRCVS, Staff Clinician in Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia, RVC

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LEO
LIONHEAD CROSS

1 year old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Leo is basically a dog. He sits at your feet, does tricks like give paw and gets very jealous if you pay attention to anyone other than him!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Luckily only neutering and vaccination at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.



OLLY PURS
DOMESTIC
SHORTHAIR

2 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Named after Olly Murs, Olly Purs is a very affectionate little troublemaker! His hobbies include hiding, pouncing and stalking our Puggle, Lulu and Guinea Pig, Ginger.

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Admitted to the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals over Christmas 2017 as an injured stray who had broken his femur in an RTA. He needed surgery to insert a plate into his leg. I fell in love with him whilst working at the hospital and was happy to give him a new home.

Small animal surgery, physiotherapy and dentistry

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*I think I have learned more [during
this course] than over the course
of my vet school and work experience!*

Abdominal surgery – the essentials

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PRACTICAL PHYSIOTHERAPY FOR VETERINARY SURGEONS AND NURSES

Thursday 28th and Friday 29th March



Are you aware of the benefits physiotherapy can offer to your surgical patients in the postoperative period? Do you want to understand the different types of rehabilitation techniques that are available for your patients? Would you like to broaden the services you can offer to your clients?

In this two-day course, you will learn the principles of physiotherapy, the different techniques and modalities that can be used in small animals as well as the indications and contraindications of these therapies. We will cover physiotherapeutic modalities such as manual therapies, physical modalities (including laser therapy, therapeutic ultrasound, TENS) and hydrotherapy.

Why do this course?

Lectures and practical exercises will help you plan postoperative physiotherapy as well as develop rehabilitation plans for non-surgical conditions.

Key areas

- Review of canine anatomy
- Common musculoskeletal conditions
- What is physiotherapy? Indications/contraindications
- Manual therapies
- Therapeutic exercises
- Physical modalities (laser, therapeutic ultrasound, TENS, etc.)
- Hydrotherapy
- Making a plan – practical cases

Previous participants have commented...

“Very useful course and covered much more detail than I was expecting in the time provided.”

“I was overall very impressed with the quality and delivery of the course. The practical demonstrations were excellent.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: Vet and nurse team: £988; Vet only: £649; Nurse only: £399

Tutors

Emily Cowderoy BSC PgDVetPhysio VN, Veterinary Physiotherapist, RVC

Pilar Lafuente DVM PhD DipACVS-SA DipECVS DipACVSMR CCRT FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, Universidad CEU Cardenal Herrera, Valencia

Helen Webb RVN, Senior Veterinary Nurse, RVC

ABDOMINAL SURGERY – THE ESSENTIALS

Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd May



Does your heart sink when you see there is a large dog neuter on the surgery list? Do you hesitate to do an exploratory laparotomy even though in your heart you know it is the next best diagnostic step? Would you like to feel more confident dealing with your next acute abdomen?

The aim of this course is to improve the confidence of those veterinarians who sometimes (or always) feel out of their depth when performing routine abdominal surgical procedures in small animal practice.

The practical day will allow you to perform fundamental procedures required for abdominal surgery ranging from entering the abdomen safely, tying secure ligatures, isolating organs within the abdomen and developing a systematic approach to exploration of the abdominal cavity.

Why do this course?

You will learn how to perform exploratory laparotomy and a range of abdominal procedures with confidence and gain insight into the clinical decision making that can optimise patient care.

Key areas

- It all looks normal, what now? Maximizing an exploratory laparotomy
- Is it surgical? Abdominal radiographs for surgeons
- The foreign body sweep stake – surgery of the intestinal tract
- The dreaded Saturday night on call, alone with a GDV!
- Oh no, it's a big fat bitch spay – ovariectomy, OHE and C-section
- Help, all I can see is blood! Haemoabdomen, splenectomy and liver surgery

Previous participants have commented...

“Best CPD I've ever done, learnt so many tips.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.3)

Course fee: £949

Tutors

Zoë Halfacree MA VetMB CertVDI CertSAS DipECVS FHEA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

Karla Lee MA VetMB PhD CertSAS DipECVS PGCAP FHEA MRCVS, Associate Professor in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

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ARTHROSCOPY OF THE ELBOW AND SHOULDER

Wednesday 19th June



Do you want to improve the options you can offer your patients with orthopaedic disease? Do you want to take your orthopaedic practice to the next level?

Arthroscopy is an essential skill to provide comprehensive management of elbow and shoulder disease for your patients. This one-day course, pitched at an intermediate to advanced level, is for veterinary surgeons who want to develop skills in diagnostic and surgical arthroscopy in small animals. The focus of the course will be the elbow joint and the shoulder joint.

The day will be a mixture of lectures and practical sessions. The morning will be devoted to arthroscopy of the elbow and the afternoon to arthroscopy of the shoulder.

Why do this course?

You will learn a practical structured approach on how to treat medial coronoid disease, receive practical tips about elbow and shoulder arthroscopy and feel more confident about the diagnosis and management of common elbow and shoulder conditions.

Key areas

- Topographic and functional anatomy of elbow and shoulder
- In-depth discussion of common conditions affecting the elbow and shoulder joints
- Principles of arthroscopy and what general arthroscopic equipment is required to start
- Elbow and shoulder arthroscopy wet lab

Previous participants have commented...

"Great course. Learnt a lot as expected."

"Invaluable to have two experienced surgeons with a relatively small number of delegates."

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.7)

Course fee: £699

Tutors

Matthew Pead BVetMed PhD FHEA CertSAO MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Orthopaedics, RVC

David Sajik BVetMed MVetMed DipECVS MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Orthopaedics, RVC

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WEBINAR PLUS: ORTHOPAEDIC ESSENTIALS

Monday 2nd to Sunday 29th September



Would you like to enhance your understanding and skills relating to orthopaedic problems in dogs and cats?

Orthopaedic problems are very common in practice but can be challenging to manage. This course will focus on improving your ability to do a thorough orthopaedic examination and gait analysis, enhance your understanding of the causes of orthopaedic problems in dogs and discuss a range of management options. In addition, there will be a week focused on feline orthopaedics which will highlight the important differences between orthopaedic conditions in cats and dogs.

Why do this course?

You will become more confident in your assessment and management of common orthopaedic problems in practice.

Key areas

- The orthopaedic exam and gait analysis
- Thoracic limb lameness
 - Common causes, interpretation of radiographs and advanced imaging techniques and surgical techniques
- Pelvic limb lameness
 - Common causes, interpretation of radiographs and advanced imaging techniques and surgical techniques
- Feline orthopaedics

Previous participants have commented...

"Great content, lecturers are easily contacted and are willing to discuss with the group on the discussion forum, great notes and fantastic quality webinars every week."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), videos, self-assessment quizzes, case studies, and tutor-moderated online discussion forums.

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.6 and 7)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

Pilar Lafuente DVM PhD DipACVS-SA DipECVS DipACVSMR CCRT FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, Universidad CEU Cardenal Herrera, Valencia

PRACTICAL SKIN RECONSTRUCTIVE TECHNIQUES AND WOUND MANAGEMENT

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September



Help, I have created a MONSTER (wound)!

Managing wounds and large skin reconstructions can be extremely challenging. This course will help you to utilise wound management and skin reconstruction techniques to get those monsters under control.

It is a two-day theoretical and practical course. We will discuss wound healing, how to manage open wounds and skin reconstruction techniques. You will be able to practise and consolidate this theoretical knowledge. The cadaver workshops will include tension relieving techniques, subdermal pattern flaps, axial pattern flaps and skin grafts.

Why do this course?

This course will be excellent for anyone in general practice managing open wounds or performing surgery to remove skin masses.

Key areas

- Principles of wound healing and skin reconstruction
- Which dressing to choose
- How to perform local skin flaps
- Axial pattern flaps
- Skin graft techniques
- Reconstruction of head, neck, thorax, abdomen and limb wounds
- Wounds in difficult areas – tips and tricks

Previous participants have commented...

“Brilliant course, extremely useful, huge thanks to the tutors as so patient and helpful.”

“Fantastic course. Really approachable lecturers.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.2 and 3)

Course fee: £949

Tutors

Poppy Bristow BVetMed M VetMed DipECVS MRCVS, Cardiothoracic Surgery Fellow and Lecturer in Small Animal Soft Tissue Surgery, RVC

Lynda Rutherford BVM&S M VetMed DipECVS FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

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THORACIC SURGERY – THEORY AND TECHNIQUES

Thursday 5th and Friday 6th September



Can thoracic surgery be safely performed in general practice?

This is a two-day theoretical and practical course that will be an introduction to thoracic surgery and cover some techniques that are achievable with the correct equipment and expertise, in a general practice setting.

Why do this course?

This course will be excellent for anyone in general practice looking to further their soft tissue skills and knowledge into the area of thoracic surgery or for those already performing some types of thoracic surgery wishing to consolidate their knowledge and practical skills. It will also be useful for vets studying for a surgery certificate.

Key areas

- Principles of thoracic surgery
- Anaesthetic options for thoracotomy patients
- Chest drain placement
- How to perform a lung lobectomy
- Diaphragmatic repair
- Dissection around the ligamentum arteriosum
- Pain management and aftercare of the thoracotomy patient

Previous participants have commented...

“I have never before attended a course where I have learned so much.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.2 and 3)

Course fee: £1,099

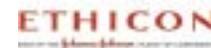
Tutors

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BASIC INTERNAL FIXATION

Tuesday 10th September



Do you want to enhance your clinical practice by tackling some of the more straightforward fractures, but are not confident about how to proceed? This highly practical hands-on course will give you the confidence to take that next step.

This lecture and hands-on practical course including cadaver surgery will assist veterinarians in understanding the basic principles of internal fixation of fractures by means of plates and screws. The course will focus on the most commonly used plates and the use of lag screws. Preoperative planning and common complications will be discussed. This is a highly practical course, which will include plastic bones and surgical training on cadaveric limbs.

Why do this course?

The day would be of interest to any recent graduate looking to develop their confidence in basic fracture repair, as well as veterinarians wishing to refresh their knowledge and understanding of the principles of this fixation technique.

Key areas

- Instrumentation and types of plates
- Understanding the principles of internal fixation
- Preoperative planning
- Management of the most common complications

Previous participants have commented...

“Really good course would definitely recommend.”

“Good amount of information provided, lecturers very approachable. Practical session very relevant, good to experience the instrumentation in a no-pressure environment.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.7)

Course fee: £699

Tutors

Ben Kaye BVSc MVetMed MANZCVS MRCVS, Staff Clinician in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

Richard Meeson MA VetMB MVetMed DipECVS PGCertVetEd FHEA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Orthopaedics, RVC

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WEBINAR PLUS: SOFT TISSUE SURGICAL PRINCIPLES

Monday 30th September
to Sunday 27th October



Would you like to improve your surgical skills and improve your confidence in the operating theatre?

During this online course, participants will review surgical principles and step-by-step guides to performing surgeries commonly encountered in first opinion practice. Techniques to improve surgical skills and optimise the outcome for your patients will be discussed.

Why do this course?

The course will provide you with a solid foundation to review, consolidate and update your knowledge of surgical principles and commonly performed techniques, including neutering, exploratory laparotomy and commonly performed abdominal surgeries.

Key areas

- Putting your best foot forward – how to prepare for surgery and tips for neutering
- Maximising your exploratory laparotomy – avoid the “peak and shriek!”
- Principles of gastrointestinal surgery and management of intestinal foreign bodies
- Help, it’s my first GDV case – what do I do?

Previous participants have commented...

“I can’t believe how much I learnt – keep telling my colleagues random things that have come out of the last few weeks of learning, and will truly be useful in my first opinion practice job.”

“I loved it... Going to miss it next week!”

“More like this please! This course has given me confidence in surgery I never knew I had!”

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), videos, self-assessment quizzes, case studies, and tutor-moderated online discussion forums.

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Surgery case report for Small Animal Practice (B-SAP.1), Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.3)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

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Vicky Lipscomb MA VetMB CertSAS DipECVS FHEA MRCVS, Associate Professor of Soft Tissue Surgery, RVC

CANINE DENTISTRY

DAY 1: THE FOUNDATIONS

DAY 2: SURGICAL EXTRACTIONS AND CASE DISCUSSIONS

Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October
or Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th October



Would you like to improve the quality of the dental care you can offer your patients?

This two-day course focuses on extractions in small animal practice. It includes a strong practical component with canine and fox cadavers. The lectures, while covering both feline and canine aspects, will concentrate mostly on canine dentistry.

Why do this course?

Fine-tune your extraction skills, and at the same time become more knowledgeable and confident addressing your dental cases.

Key areas

- The foundations of oral diagnosis
- Do's and don'ts of scaling and polishing
- How to take good dental radiographs
- How to perform closed extractions confidently and with control
- Regional nerve blocks and analgesia for dental patients
- The use of muco-periosteal flaps for the surgical extraction of mandibular, maxillary and carnassial teeth
- Root remnant removal
- Radiographic interpretation and case discussions covering:
 - Periodontal disease: when to extract?
 - Fractured teeth: when to treat?
- Treating teeth affected by resorption

Previous participants have commented...

"I thought this was a fantastic course – well delivered with great patience in the practical sessions!"

"It was a thoroughly enjoyable and informative course. I would recommend it to vets in practice. Incredibly useful and applicable."

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: £899

Tutors

Simone Kirby DipEVDC FHEA MRCVS Tierärztin, EBVS® and RCVS Recognised Specialist in Veterinary Dentistry, Veterinary Dental and Oral Surgery Referrals, Hertfordshire and London

Rachel Perry BSc BVM&S MANZCVS (Small Animal Dentistry and Oral Surgery) DipEVDC MRCVS, EBVS® and RCVS Recognised Specialist in Veterinary Dentistry, Honorary Lecturer in Dentistry, RVC, Director, Perrydental Vet Ltd.

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FELINE DENTISTRY

Thursday 10th and Friday 11th October **New in 2019**



Are you dreading feline extraction cases? Unsure how to get good dental radiographs in cats and how to interpret them?

This course aims to equip you with all you need to know to complete your next feline dental consultation and procedure with confidence. It will provide you with a solid foundation of theory, rounded off with a practical session on cat cadavers and a session on radiographic interpretation.

Why do this course?

Feline dentistry forms a big part of small animal practice. This course will equip you with the knowledge and skills needed to deal with common and slightly less common feline dental presentations.

Key areas

- Anatomy of the feline dentition
- Radiographic technique and interpretation
- Special considerations for the anaesthesia of the feline dental patient
- Periodontal disease
- Tooth resorption
- Feline chronic gingivo-stomatitis and its differentials
- Feline oral mass lesions
- Special considerations when extracting feline teeth
- Treatment of symphyseal separation fracture
- What type of conditions can be referred?

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: £899

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ADVANCED INTERNAL FIXATION

Thursday 7th November



Do you want to become more confident in orthopaedic surgery and be able to tackle more complex fractures?

This lecture and hands-on practical course will assist veterinarians to manage more complex fractures and apply the principles of internal fixation with plates and screws. The course will focus on the more common complex fractures, including the management of non-reconstructible fractures and principles of articular fracture repair. Preoperative planning and common complications will be discussed. This is a highly practical course, which will include plastic bones and surgical training on cadaveric limbs.

Why do this course?

If you would like to further your skills and gain confidence to manage more complex fractures.

Key areas

- Instrumentation and types of plates
- Understanding the principles of internal fixation and principles of articular fracture repair
- Preoperative planning
- Management of the most common complications

Previous participants have commented...

“Really helpful interesting day!”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.7)

Course fee: £699

Tutors

Matthew Pead BVetMed PhD MRCVS FHEA CertSAO, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Orthopaedics, RVC

David Sajik BVetMed MVetMed PGCert DipECVS MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Orthopaedics, RVC

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TIBIAL TUBEROSITY ADVANCEMENT

Wednesday 20th November



Do you want to improve your understanding of, and increase your surgical confidence, to manage the most common cause of canine pelvic limb lameness?

Over the years, many different surgical techniques have been utilised to treat cranial cruciate ligament disease. The osteotomy procedures, of which Tibial Tuberosity Advancement (TTA) has become a popular choice, are generally considered to give the most reliable and predictable results. Complications are not uncommon, however, technical mistakes can be easily avoided when important principles are understood and surgery is well executed.

The goal of this one day workshop is for you to successfully plan and execute a TTA surgery. Lectures will be followed by a practical wetlab using the conventional ‘cage and plate TTA’ with plastic bone models and then cadavers.

Why do this course?

You will enhance your confidence in performing TTA and receive useful practical hints and tips that you will not find in a textbook.

Key areas

- Cruciate pathophysiology
- TTA biomechanics
- TTA planning and implants
- Outcome and complications

Previous participants have commented...

“Excellent comprehensive coverage of critical aspects of procedure and frequent pitfalls.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.7)

Course fee: £899

Tutors

Richard Meeson MA VetMB MVetMed DipECVS PGCertVetEd FHEA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Orthopaedics, RVC

Andrew Phillips BVetMed DipECVS AFHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

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ADVANCED ABDOMINAL SURGERY, INCLUDING SURGICAL STAPLING

Tuesday 26th and
Wednesday 27th November

New in 2019



Are you only using staples to close skin incisions? Do you want to feel confident to tackle more advanced abdominal surgeries?

If you enjoyed 'Abdominal surgery – the essentials' or feel confident about the basics of abdominal surgery, this is the next course to take your surgical skills a few steps further.

Day 1 will cover the theory, planning and practical tips for abdominal surgery including disease processes, diagnostic challenges, surgical procedures and post-operative management. Day 2 will be spent practising surgical techniques on cadavers.

Why do this course?

This course will be a great opportunity for those new to surgical staplers to get some hands on experience while those familiar with using staples will have the opportunity to build on their experience and learn some new tips and tricks.

Key areas

- Introduction to surgical staplers – the what, how and why
- Surgical stapler use in abdominal surgery
- Get in, get out – the use of staplers in the gastrointestinal tract
- The liver – biopsies, lobectomy with and without staplers
- Biliary surgery – cholecystectomy tips and tricks
- Renal surgery – what's possible and what's appropriate
- Can't pee, won't pee – perineal urethrostomy
- Urinary incontinence – surgical plumbing options
- Septic peritonitis – diagnosis, surgical management and postoperative care

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.3)

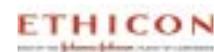
Course fee: £1,099

Tutors

Lee Beever BVetMed M VetMed DipECVS, Lecturer in Soft Tissue Surgery, RVC

Karla Lee MA VetMB PhD CertSAS DipECVS PGCAP FHEA MRCVS, Associate Professor in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

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WEBINAR PLUS: A MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO ONCOLOGIC SURGERY

Monday 13th January to
Sunday 9th February 2020

New in 2020



Would you like to increase your confidence in surgically managing patients with neoplasia?

Canine neoplasia is a common clinical condition managed in veterinary practice. Prompt diagnosis and a thorough understanding of aetiopathogenesis, management options and clinical progression of disease allows optimal patient management and client communication. Surgery may often be performed in general practice setting and this course will provide tips and tricks to optimise your surgical skills to manage a range of neoplastic conditions. Advancements in management options and when referral may be considered will also be discussed.

Why do this course?

This course will improve your confidence in dealing with routine and more complex oncological cases.

Key areas

- Haemoabdomen – diagnosis, surgical and chemotherapeutic management of haemangiosarcoma
- Mast cell disease – tips for surgical planning, surgical technique and adjuvant medical management
- Anal sac adenocarcinoma – diagnosis, management and adjuvant treatment
- Osteosarcoma and other appendicular neoplasia

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: Learning material will be a mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online clinical case scenarios, discussion forums involving tutors and participants from around the world, and carefully selected supplementary reading material

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Surgery (C-SAS.2 and 3), Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.10)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

Stefano Cortellini DVM M VetMed DipACVECC DipECVECC MRCVS, Lecturer in Emergency and Critical Care, RVC

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LAPAROSCOPIC NEUTERING AND BEYOND

Wednesday 15th January and Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th March 2020, plus a commitment to attend the Royal Free Medical Simulation Centre in between

Are you interested in adding laparoscopy to the services you can offer your patients?

In cats and dogs laparoscopy can be used to perform ovariectomy/ovariohysterectomy, but also cryptorchidectomy, exploratory laparotomy, gastrointestinal biopsies, liver biopsies, bile aspirates, prophylactic gastropexy and much more. Laparoscopy has the potential to improve patient outcomes compared to conventional open surgery.

- Smaller surgical wounds result in faster return to normal activities
- Decreased pain results in faster recovery from anaesthesia
- Magnification, direct illumination plus improved access to diseased organs makes technical surgeries easier to perform
- Use of state-of-the-art technologies decrease risk of bleeding and other surgical complications, making surgery safer

Thus laparoscopy has many benefits but it requires considerable training to be able to perform it safely and effectively. The unique psychomotor skill set required to perform laparoscopic surgery cannot be transferred from open surgery. These skills include adaptation to a 2-D monitor display, depth perception, spatial awareness, video-eye-hand co-ordination, instrument manipulation about a single pivot point and adaptation to a reduced field of view.

To achieve competency, the surgeon ideally needs to practise psychomotor skills in a controlled environment, outside the operating room, as this affords the opportunity for rapid and sustained skill acquisition in a safe, ethical and friendly environment. Such training will maximise your chances of success and reduce risk to your patients as you start out on your minimally invasive surgery journey. This is therefore a 3-stage course.

The first stage is a one-day onsite course at the Royal Free Hospital, where we will deliver the theory behind laparoscopic surgery in veterinary medicine, demonstrate the kit required for laparoscopic surgery and introduce you to the Royal Free Medical Simulation Centre to set up a laparoscopic skills training plan on state-of-the-art, virtual reality, high fidelity, laparoscopic simulators.

The second stage will be implemented by a low-dose, high-frequency (distributed practice) training programme at the Royal Free Medical Simulation Centre. This involves 16 to 25 short, self-directed, training sessions, plus 3 to 4 one-on-one formative assessments and a final summative evaluation. The simulation centre is open 24 hours a day, 7 days per week, so for the committed, budding minimally invasive surgeon, this should be possible over an 8 week period.

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The third stage is a two-day onsite course at the RVC and will allow you to review your laparoscopic skills and allow you to perform laparoscopic procedures using cadavers.

Stage two is fundamental to this course, so please consider your access to the Royal Free Hospital and commitment to laparoscopic surgery before signing up. All prospective applicants should contact Karla Lee (klee@rvc.ac.uk) and provide a CV plus two references.

Why do this course?

This course is designed to launch your “key hole” surgery journey. You will develop the psychomotor skills for minimally invasive surgery by a distributed practice training programme, proven to be ‘the most effective method to acquire and retain long-term surgical skills’ (Dr Pasquale Berlingieri).

Key areas

- Development of the unique set of psychomotor skills required for laparoscopic surgery
- Practical hands-on experience of laparoscopic surgeries including neutering, gastropexy, liver biopsy, bile aspirate, abdominal exploration, gastrointestinal biopsies and cystotomy.

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: 3 stage course: 1) One day introductory course at the Royal Free Hospital; 2) Psychomotor skill training at the Royal Free Medical Simulation Centre over an 8 week period and 3) Two-day course at the RVC to include one-day of cadaver practicals

CPD hours: 42

Course fee: £2,499

Tutors

Pasquale Berlingieri MBBS PhD, Head of Screen-Based Simulation Centre, Royal Free Hospital

Poppy Bristow BVetMed MVetMed DipECVS MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

Bimbi Fernando MBBS MD FRCS, Consultant Surgeon and Simulation Lead, Royal Free Hospital

Jessica Gilby BSc RVN, Theatre Nurse, RVC

Rosanne Jepson BVSc MVetMed PhD DipACVIM DipECVIM-CA FHEA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Internal Medicine, RVC

Karla Lee MA VetMB PhD CertSAS DipECVS PGCAP FHEA MRCVS, Associate Professor in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

Andrew Phillips BVetMed MVetMed DipECVS AFHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery, RVC

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MAYA
SIBERIAN HUSKY

8 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Maya is smart, active and beautiful; you have to be one step ahead of her all the time. As a pup she would eat everything, including the sofa.

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Maya is a regular blood donor at the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals.



Small animal diagnostic imaging

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*I really, really enjoyed this course!
It's great it was challenging as it provided
incentive to learn more and recruit
study material outside the course.* ”

Small animal veterinary computed tomography online:
Head/neck, musculoskeletal and neurological applications

SMALL ANIMAL VETERINARY COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY ONLINE: HEAD/NECK, MUSCULOSKELETAL AND NEUROLOGICAL APPLICATIONS

Monday 14th January to Sunday 3rd March



Are you using or planning to use CT in your practice?

This online course will help you to understand CT technology and its diagnostic utilisation for evaluation of the head and neck, musculoskeletal system and nervous system. It will equip you with the knowledge to successfully integrate CT in your small animal veterinary practice – onsite or offsite.

A review of practically applicable CT technology used in small animals will lay the foundation for understanding the information displayed on CT images and also help to optimise image acquisition for practitioners who have a CT unit onsite.

Why do this course?

This course will help you to utilise CT on or off site and build your confidence in performing and interpreting CT studies in dogs and cats.

Key areas

- Practical review of CT technology
- CT of the head and neck
- CT of the musculoskeletal system
- CT of the nervous system (brain, spine)

Previous participants have commented...

“I have never learned so much in such a short period of time as with this course.”

“Randi was, as in the course last year, an excellent tutor with superb feedback, individualised responses to questions, it is clear she invested a lot of time and effort into the course.”

“Really well-run, thought the support provided by Randi was excellent and I got much more out of this CPD than I have in a long while!”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, supplementary reading, quizzes, case assessments, moving images and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with their colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Seven weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Course fee: £775

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutor

Randi Drees Dr.med.vet PhD DipACVR (Radiology, Radiation Oncology) DipECVDI add RadOncol PGCertAP MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Diagnostic Imaging and Head of Service, RVC

BASIC ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

Wednesday 23rd January and
Wednesday 20th February



Have an ultrasound machine in your practice, but reluctant to use it to image the heart? Already doing abdominal ultrasound, but nervous to go north of the diaphragm?

This course is designed to provide participants with the foundations required to perform a basic echocardiographic examination, and a protocol to follow to obtain standard two-dimensional echocardiography (2D echo) images. You will learn how to identify normal cardiac anatomy and normal variations on 2D echo, as well as changes seen with common diseases. This forms the backbone of all echocardiography. This is a two-day course with a month between day 1 and day 2 to allow you to practise in between!

Why do this course?

This course will provide you with the means to make clinical decisions in cardiac patients that are very challenging without echocardiography.

Key areas

- Ultrasound physics, artefacts and equipment
- Echocardiographic technique
- Echocardiographic changes in common acquired cardiac disease
- Echocardiographic measurements
- Echo changes associated with left and right sided heart disease
- Mystery cases
- Practical hands-on workshop

Previous participants have commented...

“The practical sessions gave me the confidence to go back and not be scared of heart scans.”

“A really good course with the right balance of theory and practical work with some excellently behaved dogs. The concept of sending us away for a month is fantastic and will give me a great opportunity to reflect and practise before I’m back in February.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: A combination of lectures, practical scanning sessions and interactive sessions

Course length: Two days, one month apart

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: £824

Tutors

David Connolly BSc BVetMed PhD CertSAM CertVC DipECVIM-CA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Cardiology, RVC
Virginia Luis Fuentes VetMB PhD CertVR DVC DipACVIM DipECVIM-CA MRCVS, Professor of Veterinary Cardiology, RVC

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ABDOMINAL ULTRASONOGRAPHY ONLINE

Monday 18th February to Sunday 24th March
Practical day: Wednesday 22nd May



Would you like to start to build your ultrasound knowledge and skills from the comfort of your own computer?

This online course is designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills required to perform a basic abdominal ultrasonographic examination.

The online course is followed by an optional practical session (8 CPD hours) on Wednesday 22nd May at the RVC (limited to 20 participants).

Why do this course?

At the end of the course you will have developed techniques and a structured approach to allow you to perform a basic abdominal ultrasound in a dog or cat.

Key areas

- Physics of diagnostic ultrasound
- Ultrasonographic artefact
- Machine set-up and image recording
- Review of normal ultrasonographic appearance
- Ultrasonography of abdominal organs
- Ultrasound guided invasive procedures

Previous participants have commented...

"I learnt every minute I did any part of the course!"

"This was a really good course. Even after a short time I am more confident in my scanning ability and have used my new found skills to aid in my clinical practice already!"

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, online lectures and practical exercises, self-assessment quizzes and discussion forums

Course length: Five weeks

CPD hours: Up to 26 for online course, 8 for practical course

Course fee: £625; £374 for the optional scanning day

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutor

Pete Mantis DVM DipECVDI FHEA MRCVS, Consultant Radiologist, Dick White Referrals, Honorary Associate Professor of Diagnostic Imaging, Nottingham University

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WEBINAR PLUS: THORACIC AND ABDOMINAL RADIOLOGY

Wednesday 27th February
to Tuesday 26th March



Do you feel obliged to use teleradiology because you lack confidence in interpreting radiographs?

This online course for small animal veterinarians will refresh aspects of thoracic and abdominal radiographic anatomy and essential pathological concepts. There will be numerous case examples, quizzes, selected background reading and discussion forums to help you increase your ability to correctly interpret radiographs. Emphasis will be on the most prevalent conditions affecting dogs and cats in first opinion practice, as well as common causes of error.

Why do this course?

After this in-depth refresher course on the essentials of thoracic and abdominal radiology, you will be able to manage your patients more efficiently, save your clients money and gain satisfaction from applying your own diagnostic skills.

Key areas

- Thoracic radiographic anatomy and variants
- Distinguishing different pulmonary diseases
- Diagnosis of cardiac disease and cardiac failure
- Thoracic masses
- Gastric and intestinal disorders, including obstruction
- Imaging the urinary tract
- Diagnosis of urinary obstruction

Previous participants have commented...

"Chris Lamb has a fantastic way of explaining things in a logical fashion so it just kind of seems to make perfect sense."

"Overall very useful. I have certainly picked up several tips that will hopefully really improve my ability to interpret radiographs in the future."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Small Animal Medicine (C-SAM.8), Diagnostic Imaging (C-VDI.1 and 3)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Christopher R Lamb MA VetMB DipACVR DipECVDI FHEA MRCVS, Professor of Radiology

PRACTICAL ABDOMINAL ULTRASOUND SCANNING DAYS

Wednesday 20th March, Wednesday
3rd April or Wednesday 17th July



You've listened to the lectures, watched the videos and tried it on your own. Now come and practice your ultrasound skills!

Many veterinarians are keen to develop their knowledge and skills in abdominal ultrasonography as it is such a useful diagnostic tool in general practice. These abdominal practical scanning days are for veterinary surgeons with limited ultrasound experience or simply veterinarians that would like to fine-tune their basic abdominal ultrasound skills. It is not aimed at practitioners with more advanced ultrasound experience.

The days will be entirely devoted to scanning – there will be no lectures or course notes and participants will be expected to have attended an introductory CPD course (from any suitable CPD provider, not just the RVC) previously where the basics of ultrasound theory were discussed and techniques demonstrated or have a reasonable level of confidence in performing abdominal ultrasound examinations.

Why do this course?

At the end of the course, you will have practiced the techniques needed to perform a basic abdominal ultrasound and ultrasound-guided aspiration and biopsy in dogs.

Key areas

Practical techniques for:

- Assessing abdominal organs
- Ultrasound-guided aspiration and biopsy

Previous participants have commented...

"[Pete was] fantastic, made something I have always found difficult so easy to understand if I use the correct techniques suggested."

"Thank you for such a great CPD course. I really feel that I can use what I have learnt in my everyday clinical practice."

"Very engaging and fun. Limited spaces so everyone can get involved."

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Practical scanning sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Course fee: £374

Tutor

Pete Mantis DVM DipECVDFHEA MRCVS, Consultant Radiologist, Dick White Referrals, Honorary Associate Professor of Diagnostic Imaging, Nottingham University

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BASIC SMALL ANIMAL ABDOMINAL ULTRASOUND

Thursday 13th and Friday 14th June
or Thursday 11th and Friday 12th July



Do you want to learn how to perform an abdominal ultrasound exam in small animals? Are you looking to improve your scanning technique? Are you not sure how to get the best out of your ultrasound unit?

This course is an entry level introduction to diagnostic abdominal ultrasound in small animals. It will guide you through a structured approach to ultrasound examination of the abdomen, help you to utilise your ultrasound unit to optimise image quality and allow you to recognise artefacts that may be encountered.

Why do this course?

Reviewing the normal ultrasonographic anatomy and common disease patterns will give you confidence to further integrate abdominal ultrasonography in your practice.

Key areas

- Ultrasonographic examination of the liver, gallbladder, spleen, GI tract, urogenital tract and peritoneum
- Introduction to the territory of the pancreas, adrenal glands and lymph nodes
- Common ultrasonographic findings in the abdomen

Previous participants have commented...

"[This course] was absolutely brilliant, it has increased my confidence in scanning greatly and I have been recommending it to lots of my contacts."

"Amazing course, extremely well organised and delivered. Everybody extremely helpful and patient. Fantastic! Thank you very much."

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures followed by guided practical scanning sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: £824

Tutors

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Francisco Llabres-Diaz DVR DipECVDFHEA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging, RVC

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INTEGRATING ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY INTO YOUR CLINICAL PRACTICE

Tuesday 24th September



“I’ve done the echo, now what?!”

Developing proficiency in practical echocardiography is a challenge in itself, but obtaining good images is only the start. The purpose of echocardiography is to help with clinical decision-making. This course will focus on how to use the results of your echocardiography to make better clinical decisions on a day-to-day basis in canine and feline patients with suspected heart disease. It is designed to be suitable for participants with some echocardiography experience, but practical skills will be covered in detail in the companion course on the following day (‘Practical echocardiography scanning days’) so it isn’t essential for you to already be an expert echocardiographer to get something out of this course.

The role of echocardiography will be critically evaluated in a problem-based approach, looking at common presenting problems in dogs and cats. For each diagnostic challenge, the role of other diagnostic tests will also be reviewed, as well as guidance on treatment.

Why do this course?

Many courses focus solely on echocardiographic imaging and measurements, but this course will show you how to apply your echo imaging to get the best outcome for your patients.

Key areas

- The older dog with a murmur
- The large breed dog with a murmur or arrhythmia
- The asymptomatic cat with a murmur
- The cat presenting with respiratory distress
- The weak, hypotensive dog or cat

Previous participants have commented...

“Virginia is always clear and focused – brilliant lecturer!”

“Great course content, presented in an easy to understand way. Very approachable.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures and case-based discussions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Course fee: £399

Tutor

Virginia Luis Fuentes VetMB PhD CertVR DVC DipACVIM DipECVIM-CA MRCVS, Professor of Veterinary Cardiology, RVC

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PRACTICAL ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY SCANNING DAYS

Wednesday 25th September
or Wednesday 2nd October



You’re an echo beginner, and would like a few more tips on how to obtain the views? You can get the echo views, but they don’t look like the images in the books?

Many veterinarians are keen to develop their knowledge and skills in echocardiography as it is such a useful diagnostic tool in general practice. The practical scanning days will be an opportunity for you to build on your ultrasonography skills by spending the day scanning under the expert guidance of specialist cardiologists. The day will be entirely devoted to scanning – participants will be expected to have attended a CPD course (from any suitable CPD provider, not just the RVC) previously where the basics of ultrasound theory and echocardiography were discussed and techniques demonstrated.

You may also be interested in attending the companion day which precedes these courses “Integrating echocardiography into clinical practice”, further details opposite.

Why do this course?

This is an opportunity to gain tips on all aspects of your echocardiographic imaging from experts, whether you have a little or a lot of experience.

Key areas

- Consolidating your 2D right-sided views
- Improving left-sided views
- Spectral and colour Doppler echocardiography

Previous participants have commented...

“Excellent content, I am now comfortable with views that I previously found challenging to obtain. Excellent tutors.”

“I have consolidated pre-existing knowledge and learnt new things today. It’s been well worth it.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Practical scanning sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Course fee: £374

Tutors

David Connolly BSc BVetMed PhD CertSAM CertVC DipECVIM-CA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Cardiology, RVC
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LEARN TO READ RADIOGRAPHS ONLINE

Monday 7th October
to Sunday 17th November



Struggling with knowing whether that white bit on the lung is really a problem? Worried that you might miss an intestinal obstruction? In other words – would you like to enhance your confidence in interpreting radiographs?

During this course, you will enhance your knowledge of small animal radiology and sharpen your skills at reading radiographs. A variety of radiographic cases will be used for individual review and group discussions. This will enable you to practise your reading technique and to share your experiences while enhancing your skills in assessing radiographs.

Why do this course?

At the end of this course you will have developed your own structured system of evaluating radiographs, acquired experience in reporting and diagnosing common and more challenging radiographic abnormalities and developed a logical approach to reading and interpreting a radiographic study.

Key areas

- Develop an effective and practical technique for reading radiographs of dogs and cats
- Practise your radiograph reading skills using a large number of radiographic cases
- Assess your improvement in radiographic interpretation at appropriate intervals through online assessment exercises

Previous participants have commented...

“I learnt something new every time I logged in, either from a post on the discussion board or when completing a case study.”

“Thank you very much for such an informative and engaging course! I feel that my knowledge base has increased and my skills have improved as a result.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, online lectures, supplementary reading, self-assessment quizzes and discussion forums in which participants review and discuss cases with their colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Diagnostic Imaging (C-VDI.1, 2, and 3)

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutor

Pete Mantis DVM DipECVDI FHEA MRCVS, Consultant Radiologist, Dick White Referrals, Honorary Associate Professor of Diagnostic Imaging, Nottingham University

ADVANCED SMALL ANIMAL ULTRASOUND: FINDING THE SMALL PARTS

Thursday 31st October
and Friday 1st November



Do you want to advance your ultrasound skills to broaden the use of ultrasonography in your practice?

This course will support the small animal practitioner interested in ultrasonography to take their small animal ultrasound skills to the next level.

To get the most from this course participants should have attended other ultrasound courses and be reasonably confident in their basic ultrasound skills in evaluating the larger abdominal organs – liver and gallbladder, spleen, kidney, urinary bladder and gastrointestinal tract.

Why do this course?

The course will help you to utilise your ultrasound unit to optimise image quality and give you the confidence to broaden the use of ultrasonography in your practice.

Key areas

- Finding small parts in the abdomen – adrenals, lymph nodes, pancreas
- Ultrasound of the neck – larynx, thyroid, parathyroid and lymph nodes
- Doppler ultrasonography – evaluating abdominal vasculature
- Tissue sampling – fine needle aspiration and biopsy techniques
- Review of the larger abdominal organs focusing on sticky points – pylorus, ureters and ureterovesical junction

Previous participants have commented...

“Very good value for money, well taught, easy to follow.”

“This has been an excellent course overall and increased my confidence in ultrasonography and really helped with my technical abilities.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: A combination of lectures and guided practical scanning sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: £949

Tutors

Randi Drees Dr.med.vet PhD DipACVR (Radiology, Radiation Oncology) DipECVDI add RadOncol PGCertAP MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Diagnostic Imaging and Head of Service, RVC

Francisco Llabres-Diaz DVR DipECVDI MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging, RVC

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FREDDIE
MAINE COON

10 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Freddie is as big as a dog, but as timid as a mouse! He loves crumpled paper balls, feathers on a stick, and licking plastic bags!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Freddie is mostly a 'boosters only' cat, but he had treatment a few years ago for a respiratory infection at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.



MASON
CONNEMARA CROSS

20 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Mason takes every opportunity to avoid work and seems to know every trick in the book!

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Treated for superficial digital flexor tendon injury at the RVC's Equine Referral Hospital.



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This course was perfect! ”

Equine radiology online – the forelimb

EQUINE RADIOLOGY ONLINE – THE FORELIMB

Monday 21st January
to Sunday 3rd March



Would you like to be able to take better diagnostic radiographs of the forelimb and be able to interpret them with more confidence?

This course will cover the essentials of equine radiography and radiology of the forelimb.

Why do this course?

You will be involved in a multifaceted online tutored learning experience that will improve your knowledge about taking and interpreting radiographs of the foot, fetlock, carpus, elbow and shoulder.

This course can be purchased on its own or as part of a series with:

- **Equine radiology online – the hindlimb** – see opposite
- **Equine radiology online – the head, neck and back** – see page 44

Key areas

- How to take good radiographs of the different areas of the forelimb
- Assessing and improving the diagnostic quality of radiographs
- Developing a systematic approach to reading radiographs

Previous participants have commented...

“It takes a huge amount of time and effort to make something like this and the lectures/webinars and cases have been of exceptional quality!”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, case assessments, online quizzes and discussion forums

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Large Animal Imaging (C-VDI.4 and 5)

Course fee: £725 for one course, £1,399 for two courses or £1,999 for all three

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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EQUINE RADIOLOGY ONLINE – THE HINDLIMB

Monday 3rd June to Sunday 14th July



Would you like to be able to take better diagnostic radiographs of the hindlimb and be able to interpret them with more confidence?

This course will cover the essentials of equine radiography and radiology of the hindlimb.

Why do this course?

You will be involved in a multifaceted online tutored learning experience that will improve your knowledge about taking and interpreting radiographs of the foot, fetlock, tarsus and stifle.

This webinar can be purchased on its own or as part of a series with:

- **Equine radiology online – the forelimb** – see opposite
- **Equine radiology online – the head, neck and back** – see page 44

Key areas

- How to take good radiographs of the different areas of the hindlimb
- Assessing and improving the diagnostic quality of radiographs
- Developing a systematic approach to reading radiographs

Previous participants have commented...

“It was great to go over a different section each week and I learned a lot.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, case assessments, online quizzes and discussion forums

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Large Animal Imaging (C-VDI.4 and 5)

Course fee: £725 for one course, £1,399 for two courses or £1,999 for all three

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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WEBINARS: FUNDAMENTALS OF EQUINE PRACTICE

Various dates through May, June,
September and November

New in 2019



Do you feel you have some gaps in your knowledge about everyday equine ailments? Do you worry whether you're up-to-date with new techniques?

This series of webinars will cover lameness, medical and emergency scenarios, giving you up-to-date and practical information. It is aimed at new and recent graduates, and those looking to gain up-to-date information on a wide range of commonly encountered ailments and scenarios. The whole series of webinars can be purchased or individual webinars as a “pick and mix” option.

Why do this course?

You will receive up-to-date, in depth and practical information in each subject area to enhance your confidence in managing common but challenging equine problems.

For more information on each individual webinar please visit our website.

Lameness webinars:

- *Tendon injuries – first line treatment to long term management* – Friday 10th May
- *Shoeing for different conditions* – Friday 17th May
- *Diagnosis and management of common foot conditions* – Friday 24th May
- *Practical guide to the use and interpretation of nerve and joint blocks* – Friday 31st May
- *Investigation of poor performance* – Friday 7th June
- *The approach to the swollen joint* – Friday 14th June
- *A practical approach to the diagnosis and management of back and sacroiliac pain* – Friday 21st June
- *Equine laminitis* – Friday 28th June

Emergency webinars:

- *How to perform emergency tracheostomy, chest drain placement, ligation of the common carotid artery and manage castration complications* – Friday 6th September
- *First aid and resuscitation of the sick neonatal foal* – Friday 13th September
- *The non-weight bearing horse including fracture stabilisation* – Friday 20th September
- *Decision making with the colicking horse* – Friday 27th September

Medicine webinars:

- *Investigation and management of cutaneous lumps and bumps* – Friday 1st November
- *Practical management of the coughing horse* – Friday 8th November
- *So, the liver enzymes are raised and the white cell count is low...? Practical interpretation of your biochemistry and haematology* – Tuesday 12th November
- *The itchy horse: What's new?* – Friday 22nd November
- *Oh no, I think it's ataxic!* – Friday 29th November

Course details

Course type: Webinar

Course format: Live webinar with an opportunity for Q&As with the lecturer plus access to recorded version for 2 weeks

Course length: Two hours

CPD hours: 2

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Equine Practice (B-EP.3), Equine (C-E.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 15, 16 and 17), Large Animal Imaging (C-VD.4)

Course fee: £50* per webinar or buy four and get one free. *Recorded version will be available to purchase for £30 per webinar approximately two weeks after the live course date.

Please see page 70 for further details about our webinar courses.

Tutors

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Bettina Dunkel DVM PhD DipACVIM DipECEIM DipACVECC FHEA MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Equine Medicine, RVC

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Roger Smith MA VetMB PhD DEO DipECVS MRCVS, Professor of Equine Orthopaedics, RVC

EQUINE DISTAL LIMB MUSCULOSKELETAL ULTRASOUND

Wednesday 26th June

New in 2019



Feeling nervous scanning limbs with the owner peering over your shoulder?!

This course aims to provide delegates with the confidence to scan the distal limb and detect real lesions. It will focus on the distal limb of both the forelimb and hindlimb. The tutors will guide you through how to make use of the settings on your ultrasound machine before focusing on the soft tissue structures of the distal limb.

The course is aimed at new and recent graduates, and those looking to refresh their ultrasonography skills. The morning will consist of lectures detailing scanning techniques up to and including the carpus and stifle. The afternoon will consist of three practical sessions in small groups.

This is a balanced mix of lectures and practicals. Presentations will be image rich with practical tips and techniques. You will be given plenty of time with the ultrasound probe in your hand under the guidance of the experienced tutors.

Why do this course?

To enhance your confidence and competence in scanning whether or not you are being observed by owners or colleagues.

Key areas

- Setting up and making the most of your ultrasound machine
- Ultrasonography of the superficial digital flexor tendon
- Ultrasonography of the digital flexor tendon sheath and pastern
- Ultrasonography of the carpus, suspensory ligament and branches
- Ultrasonography of the tarsus (including tarsal sheath)
- Ultrasonography of the stifle

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: A combination of lectures and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Equine Practice (B-EP.3), Equine (C-E.6 and 7), Large Animal Imaging (C-VDI.1, 4 and 5)

Course fee: £499

Tutors

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EQUINE RADIOLOGY ONLINE – THE HEAD, NECK AND BACK

Monday 28th October
to Sunday 8th December



Would you like to be able to take better diagnostic radiographs of the head, neck, back and pelvis and be able to interpret them with more confidence?

This course will cover the essentials of equine radiography and radiology of the head, neck, back and pelvis.

Why do this course?

You will be involved in a multifaceted online tutored learning experience that will improve your knowledge about taking and interpreting radiographs of the head, neck, back and pelvis.

Key areas

- How to take good radiographs of the head, neck, back and pelvis
- Assessing and improving the diagnostic quality of radiographs
- Developing a systematic approach to reading radiographs

This webinar can be purchased as part of a series with:

- **Equine radiology online – the forelimb** – see page 42
- **Equine radiology online – the hindlimb** – see page 42

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, supplementary reading, case assessments and discussion forums

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Large Animal Imaging (C-VDI.4 and 5)

Course fee: £725 for one course, £1,399 for two courses or £1,999 for all three

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

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EQUINE NERVE BLOCKS AND JOINT MEDICATIONS

Tuesday 5th November

New in 2019



Nervous about nerve blocks? Jittery about joint medications?

This course will focus on practical tips and techniques to arm you with further skills to embark on lameness investigations. It is a one-day course that will cover both forelimb and hindlimb nerve and joint blocks. The three experienced tutors will refresh your anatomical knowledge, give tips on how to perform each block and how to interpret them. Each lecture will contain many videos demonstrating positioning and landmarks. Options for joint medications will be covered including an evidence based, practical approach to regenerative medicine.

The afternoon will be entirely devoted to a practical session giving you the chance to practice nerve blocks on cadaver limbs, including synovial blocks with contrast radiography. Limbs will then be dissected to demonstrate the site of blocks and functional anatomy.

The course is aimed at new and recent graduates, or anyone looking to gain confidence with nerve and joint blocks. The practical sessions will give you plenty of time to practise the nerve and joint blocks, then dissecting the limbs to review anatomy.

Why do this course?

To increase your confidence in performing and interpreting nerve blocks for the benefit of your patients.

Key areas

- Forelimb and hindlimb nerve blocks
- Forelimb and hindlimb synovial blocks
- Synovial medications
- Regenerative Medicine

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: A combination of lectures and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Relevant to CertAVP modules: Equine Practice (B-EP.3), Equine (C-E.6, 7 and 17)

Course fee: £599

Tutors

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MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Equine Surgery, RVC

Melanie Perrier Dr.med.vet. DipDACVS DipDECVS
CERP MRCVS, Lecturer in Equine Surgery, RVC

COSMO
SATIN GUINEA PIG

2 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Cosmo is a big character, she loves attention and regularly performs 'popcorns' (crazy leaps in the air)!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Regular preventative check-ups for oostedystrophy and hyperthyroidism at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.



Small mammal and exotic pets

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It is always a tough decision whether to “fork out” the money for structured CPD. In this case I was so pleased I decided to take the plunge. Good value for money!

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Webinar Plus: Backyard poultry problems and solutions

WEBINAR PLUS: APPROACH TO BIRDS AND REPTILES IN GENERAL PRACTICE

Monday 21st January
to Sunday 17th February

New in 2019



Are you perplexed by parrots, troubled by tortoises or stumped by snakes? Would you like to feel more confident when an unusual species appears on your consult list?

Birds and reptiles have become popular pets in the UK. They are frequently presented for veterinary care, often as emergencies. This course aims to help clinicians build confidence in their approach to the exotics case and to develop sound diagnostic and treatment plans based on the most up-to-date evidence. The course is suitable for both experienced and new graduate vets.

Why do this course?

If you are seeing birds and reptiles on an occasional or regular basis and wish to build your confidence in approaching these cases. If you want to update your knowledge and apply best practice to provide optimal care for these species.

Key areas

- Identification, husbandry requirements and handling of the most commonly presented species
- Common presentations in birds and reptiles and how to approach them, including case based scenarios
- How to successfully anaesthetise a bird or reptile
- Surgical techniques, critical care and analgesia

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

Vicki Baldrey BVSc BSc DZooMed (Avian) MRCVS, Exotics Clinician, RVC

Joanna Hedley BVM&S DZooMed (Reptilian) DipECZM (Herpetology) MRCVS, Lecturer in Exotic Species and Small Mammal Medicine and Surgery, RVC

WEBINAR PLUS: BACKYARD POULTRY PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

Monday 29th April
to Sunday 26th May



Help, it's a sick chicken! What advice can I give the owner? Is there any treatment?

During this online course topics covered will include anatomy and husbandry, history taking, positive signs of health, correct handling, diagnostic tests, drug administration, reproductive problems, common medical conditions including external and internal parasites, notifiable diseases, nutritional disorders, poisons and toxins, fracture repair, vaccination, emergency and critical care, anaesthesia and analgesia, euthanasia and both pedigree and ownership identification.

An introduction to the poultry industry will be discussed for completeness and how it impacts on the backyard keeper.

Why do this course?

You will gain greater confidence in advising about poultry welfare and correct handling as well as enhance your poultry medicine and surgery skills.

Key areas

- Understanding reasons for, and resolving, welfare pitfalls
- Welfare, husbandry and health
- Normal attributes and relevant anatomy of poultry species
- Diagnostics
- Common diseases, treatment, prophylaxis and vaccines
- Relevant medicines legislation including notifiable diseases
- Emergency and critical care, euthanasia
- Anaesthesia and analgesia
- Surgery

Previous participants have commented...

"Victoria is a brilliant tutor. I learnt so much from this course and won't have that feeling of dread every time I see a chicken booked in for me now!"

"I'm inspired – I might be a small flock poultry vet after this!"

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), comprehensive notes, case studies and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Victoria Roberts BVSc MRCVS, Backyard Poultry Vet, Vicvet

RABBITS, RODENTS AND FERRETS – MEDICINE AND SURGERY ONLINE

Monday 7th October
to Sunday 17th November



Do you frequently see rabbits and rodents in your practice but feel ill-prepared to do so? Are you interested in these critters and would like to enhance your knowledge about them?

Rabbits, ferrets and rodents are becoming increasingly popular pets in the UK and continuing advances in diagnosis and treatment of disease means clients' expectations continue to increase. This course aims to help clinicians develop a logical, problem solving approach to exotic small mammal cases, and develop sound treatment plans based on the most up-to-date evidence.

Why do this course?

If you are seeing rabbits and small mammal patients on a regular basis and wish to update your knowledge and apply best practice to provide optimal care to these species.

Key areas

- Rabbit medicine and surgery – recent advances and clinical techniques
- Current techniques for anaesthesia and critical care of small mammals
- Update on options for reproductive control of ferrets and approach to common endocrinopathies and neoplasia
- Common case presentations and how to deal with them
- Approach to clinical care of unusual small mammal species

Previous participants have commented...

“The tutors on this course were very helpful, approachable, and encouraging.”

“I have been given a good overview as to how to handle the most common cases in the different small mammal species.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, online lectures, videos and discussion forums with colleagues and the tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 42

Course fee: £725

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

Vicki Baldrey BVSc BSc DZooMed (Avian) MRCVS,
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Joanna Hedley BVM&S DZooMed (Reptilian) DipECZM
(Herpetology) MRCVS, Lecturer in Exotic Species and
Small Mammal Medicine and Surgery, RVC



**OBI
LURCHER**

1 year old

☆ **FUN FACT**

He should have been named Loki, God of Mischief, as opposed to Oberon, King of the Fairies...

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Obi ate around nine mince pies plus foil. As we didn't know exactly how many or when they were eaten he was kept at RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals for observation.

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*Far better than I was expecting having
not done an online course or indeed
a non-clinical course before!*

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Webinar Plus: Building resilience to the challenges
and pressures of practice

WEBINAR PLUS: TRAINING THE TRAINER – WHAT TO DO WITH EMS STUDENTS?

Monday 25th February
to Sunday 24th March



Have you ever wondered what you should be teaching EMS students? Do you have concerns about how you are mentoring new graduates?

Welcoming students into your practice can be fun and rewarding, not to mention offering a valuable service to veterinary education and thus the profession. But how can you make sure this is a positive experience? What do the students need to know, and how do you go about teaching them? This course aims to answer this and other questions about the challenges and benefits of students in the workplace and new graduates.

Why do this course?

You will gain greater insight into the challenges and opportunities of workplace learning and develop useful strategies for supporting learning within your practice. This will not only be relevant to supporting EMS students, but also new graduates.

Key areas

- What makes a good teacher? Setting expectations for the newly arrived student or graduate
- Students and new graduates in the clinic – the highs and lows of workplace teaching
- How do I teach...? Teaching practical skills and clinical reasoning
- When it's time to go – assessing and providing helpful feedback

Previous participants have commented...

"I wasn't sure what to expect really, being the mentor figure for students is very new to me, but it has really helped me know how to start and how to try and approach each student as an individual."

"I felt the course was really well targeted to first opinion vets and that there was a really good understanding of the challenges faced in providing a good EMS experience for students."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of one-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Veterinary Workplace Teaching (C-VWT.1)

Course fee: £59

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

Liz Armitage-Chan MA VetMB DipACVA FHEA PhD MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Education, RVC
Jane Tomlin BSc BVetMed CertSAS DipECVS MRCVS, Assistant Director of EMS, RVC

WEBINAR PLUS: EUTHANASIA AND BEREAVEMENT – UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORTING YOUR CLIENTS, YOUR COLLEAGUES AND YOURSELF

Monday 29th April
to Sunday 26th May

New in 2019



Have you experienced the range of conflicting client experience and emotions around euthanasia?

Those working in a veterinary practice deal with death on a daily basis. Many have never had any training to enable them to understand the emotions and processes their clients are experiencing, or how to communicate successfully with them during this time.

This course aims to help participants gain a deeper understanding of the impact of companion-animal loss on clients, colleagues and themselves. It also intends to equip participants with the skills needed to support and manage those affected by companion-animal loss.

Why do this course?

If you are working as part of a veterinary team and wish to increase your understanding and ability to support those going through or working alongside companion-animal loss.

Key areas

- The human-companion animal bond
- Grief, bereavement and pet loss
- Supporting and communicating with your clients
- Managing yourself, your own wellbeing and the wellbeing of colleagues

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of two-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), self-assessment/reflection exercises, supplementary reading material, and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

Ruth Serlin BVetMed CertVA PGCAP FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Veterinary Professionalism, RVC
Claire Vinten BVMedSci BVM BVS PhD FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Veterinary Education, RVC

WEBINAR PLUS: BUILDING RESILIENCE TO THE CHALLENGES AND PRESSURES OF PRACTICE

Monday 3rd June
to Sunday 30th June



What do we mean by resilience? Can we be taught to become more resilient and improve our management of the challenges of practice? Can we support others to do so?

Veterinary practices place huge demands on veterinarians – testing on a daily basis not only their clinical skills but also their management of client needs, finances and expectations, often in emotional and stressful situations. Dissatisfaction and stress arising from unmet clinical goals, pressures from the business or highly charged conversations, be they occasional or frequent, can make us all sometimes wonder why we became vets in the first place. Building resilience to these experiences, and the skills to gain satisfaction from managing them, may not appear to be a “teachable” skill – but it is!

Why do this course?

Through this course you will develop a better understanding of our profession, take time to focus on career satisfaction, and discuss with peers the challenges faced in everyday practice. The course aims to support you through difficult days in practice, to help you mentor colleagues who may be facing similar issues and to regain a love for the profession we were all once so desperate to join.

Key areas

- Getting the most out of being a veterinarian: How understanding our career identity can help us achieve career satisfaction
- Building resilience to challenging situations, mistakes and errors

Previous participants have commented...

“I really loved the course and the way it was delivered. It’s completely transformed my mindset and I have more self belief now, and the little tricks and tools I have found myself using daily have made a noticeable positive impact on me.”

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of one hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online activities, videos and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Some learning objectives for the A module, Foundations of Veterinary Practice (A-FAVP)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Liz Armitage-Chan MA VetMB DipACVA FHEA PhD
MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Education, RVC

CERTAVP ONLINE INDUCTION DAY

Wednesday 17th July



This online induction day is for any veterinarian interested in the CertAVP - perfect for newly enrolled students or those who are about to start their B or C modules.

The day will start with an introduction to the CertAVP followed by a detailed look at the A-FAVP.1 and B modules. There will be a presentation on effective reflective writing and live discussion groups for B and C modules, run by the relevant module leader. You will also hear from CertAVP candidates who have passed the CertAVP, speaking about their experiences.

As this is an online event, you will be able to select which presentations you listen to and participate in throughout the day.

Key areas

- Preparation for the Foundation of Advanced Veterinary Practice A-FAVP.1 module
- Detailed advice on B Clinical Practice modules and Q&A sessions for C modules
- Hear first-hand experiences from past candidates
- Reflective writing guidance

Previous participants have commented...

“Very insightful and also inspiring as to what I can get out of doing my CertAVP with the RVC.”

“The day is motivational and encouraging and I would say all candidates should try to attend it.”

“The reflective writing talk was extremely useful.”

Course details

Course type: Online

Course format: Series of webinars and Q&A discussion forums

Course length: One day

CPD hours: Up to 6

Course fee: £49 or free for CertAVP candidates enrolled with the RVC

WEBINAR PLUS: OVERCOMING CHALLENGES TO COMMUNICATION IN PRACTICE

Monday 23rd September
to Sunday 20th October



Are great communicators born or made?

Do you ever get to the end of the day and wonder...

- Did I manage to get my message across to that client?
- Why did a client and I have crossed wires?
- Why don't the vets and nurses in my team always 'get' each other?

If you find yourself nodding your head to any of these questions, this course is for you!

Why do this course?

We truly believe that great communicators are made and that we can help you improve on your skills for a more fulfilling life in practice.

Key areas

- Clinical communication with clients
- Interprofessional communication
- Communication in challenging situations
- Communication with 'self' and review

Previous participants have commented...

"The whole 'science' around a consultation was new to me – so as I retrain to go back into practice it was great to have access to the various models of consultation and think and plan what I will be doing differently this time."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of one hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), online and practical activities, quizzes, supplementary reading material and tutor-moderated online discussion forums

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Foundations of Advanced Veterinary Practice (A-FAVP)

Course fee: £349

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutors

Liz Armitage-Chan MA VetMB DipACVA FHEA PhD MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Education, RVC

Rachel Davis BSc PhD PGCap PGDip FHEA, Educational Consultant and Developmental Coach

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Ruth Serlin BVetMed CertVA PGCAP FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Veterinary Professionalism, RVC

Kim Whittlestone BVetMed MA (Med Ed) FHEA MRCVS NTF, Senior Lecturer in Independent Learning, RVC

WEBINAR PLUS: NAVIGATING THE CERTAVP A MODULE

Monday 4th November
to Sunday 1st December



Are you struggling with the CertAVP A module – not sure what it's about, what relevance it has to your clinical practice or just unclear how to get started?

The A-FAVP module is designed to promote and develop the skills that are intrinsic to the successful veterinary professional and the advanced practitioner – application of an expert body of knowledge, and making decisions in challenging situations. This course is intended to support both of these outcomes.

The most important, and most satisfying way to succeed in the A module at the RVC is to be able to connect the A module skills to the cases and situations you experience in your own veterinary practice. The focus of these four weeks will therefore be on how to apply these concepts to your own clinical experience. Help will be given on reflective writing, professional reasoning and decision-making, resolution of ethical dilemmas and managing challenging situations.

Why do this course?

You will build confidence in tackling the essays in the CertAVP A module, starting by building an appreciation of why this module is important to the advanced practitioner.

Key areas

- Reflective practice: why to do it, how to do it, and how to benefit from it
- Bringing principles of ethical reasoning into routine veterinary challenges
- Problem-solving communications

Previous participants have commented...

"I think this area (soft skills) is hard to get into and uncomfortable and easy to pooh-pooh, but on the other hand it's very valuable to explore and of course entirely complementary to the daily clinical grind of practice."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of one-hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course) and tutor moderated online discussions of related topics

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 16

Relevant to CertAVP module: Foundations of Advanced Veterinary Practice (A-FAVP)

Course fee: £349 or £59 for RVC CertAVP candidates

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Liz Armitage-Chan MA VetMB DipACVA FHEA PhD MRCVS, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Education, RVC

MIKEY
DOMESTIC
SHORTHAIR

7 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Mikey is an inquisitive and “helpful” cat who thinks that no activity from assembling a jigsaw to watching TV to sorting through drawers can possibly be undertaken without his assistance.

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Mikey underwent surgery to repair his hard palate at the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals.



DILYS
BEARDED DRAGON

4 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

She's quite the dare devil, trying to jump off whatever she can and loves to explore outside on her lead.

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Dilys comes to the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital for health checks and to get fecal samples to test her levels of parasites.



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I learnt something new every week that I hadn't thought of trying/using before.

Emergency and critical care nursing online

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EXOTIC ANIMAL NURSING ONLINE

Monday 11th February
to Sunday 24th March

New in 2019



The demand for reptile and avian species veterinary care is on the increase – how confident are you nursing these unique animals?

The course will cover all aspects of nursing both reptile and avian species in practice. It will be split into three weeks dedicated to reptiles and three weeks dedicated to birds. It will take us back to basics as so often husbandry and handling of these animals plays a huge role in their care. Often inappropriate husbandry and diet in these species leads to veterinary presentations, so understanding this will be a huge step in improving your nursing of them and a great way to improve their welfare. You will also learn about aspects of inpatient care and how to effectively house these animals in a ward. Triage of these species will be discussed as well as critical care and anaesthesia which is often slightly different to our usual canine and feline patients.

Why do this course?

This course will help any veterinary nurse or staff member who is likely to see avian or reptile species in practice. It will give you the tools to be able to give advice on husbandry and care of these animals to owners and be able to deal with one should they be presented in practice. You will learn all the relevant care needed to deal with these animals in general veterinary practice.

Key areas

- Basic husbandry and handling of parrots and other birds
- Basic husbandry and handling of reptile species
- Nursing and inpatient care of avian species
- Nursing and inpatient care of reptile species
- Triage, anaesthesia and critical care of avian species
- Triage, anaesthesia and critical care of reptile species

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, online lectures, videos and discussion forums with colleagues and tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 18

Course fee: £349

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

Kelly Deane FdSc RVN CertVNES,
Exotics Veterinary Nurse, RVC

Abigail Edis FdSc RVN CertVNES,
Exotics Veterinary Nurse, RVC

ANAESTHESIA AND ANALGESIA FOR VETERINARY NURSES ONLINE

Monday 18th February
to Sunday 31st March



Do you need an anaesthesia refresher or are you looking to have a more in-depth knowledge of anaesthesia and analgesia?

This online course is aimed at qualified veterinary nurses who want to refresh their knowledge and investigate some of the recent advances in anaesthesia and analgesia. It could also be suitable for student veterinary nurses who have regular clinical anaesthesia exposure, who have completed the anaesthesia modules in their training programme and are now keen to develop this area of their clinical work. The course will provide a theoretical and practical approach to the realities of anaesthesia and analgesia in practice with some added extras!

Why do this course?

You will receive more in-depth information regarding anaesthesia equipment – how to devise patient specific plans for anaesthesia and analgesia, what our monitors are telling us and what to do if something goes wrong!

Key areas

- Anaesthetic equipment
- Anaesthesia and analgesia related medications
- Pre anaesthetic assessment
- Anaesthesia monitoring
- What to do when things go wrong, including CPR
- Neuromuscular blocking agents
- Case based scenarios

Previous participants have commented...

“Really fabulous and informative course.”

“I enjoyed the course and have learnt things that hopefully I will be able to implement in my own practice.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include a weekly recorded webinar, electronic course notes, supplementary reading, sharing clinical experiences through self-assessment tasks and discussion forums with colleagues and the tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 24

Course fee: £449

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

Lisa Angell VTS (Anaesthesia/Analgesia) RVN,
Head Anaesthesia Nurse, RVC

Claire Sneddon RVN, Senior Anaesthesia Veterinary
Nurse, RVC

PRACTICAL PHYSIOTHERAPY FOR VETERINARY SURGEONS AND NURSES

Thursday 28th and
Friday 29th March



Are you aware of the benefits physiotherapy can offer to your patients in the postoperative period? Do you want to understand the different types of rehabilitation techniques that are available for your patients? Would you like to broaden the services you can offer to your clients?

In this two-day course, delegates will learn the principles of physiotherapy, the different techniques and modalities that can be used in small animals as well as the indications and contraindications of these therapies. We will cover physiotherapeutic modalities such as manual therapies, physical modalities (including laser therapy, therapeutic ultrasound, and TENS) and hydrotherapy.

Why do this course?

Lectures and practical exercises will help you plan postoperative physiotherapy as well as develop rehabilitation plans for non-surgical conditions.

Key areas

- Review of canine anatomy
- Common musculoskeletal conditions
- What is physiotherapy? Indications/contraindications
- Manual therapies
- Therapeutic exercises
- Physical modalities (laser, therapeutic ultrasound, TENS, etc.)
- Hydrotherapy
- Making a plan – practical cases

Previous participants have commented...

“Very useful course and covered much more detail than I was expecting in the time provided.”

“I was overall very impressed with the quality and delivery of the course. The practical demonstrations were excellent.”

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: Two days

CPD hours: 16

Course fee: Vet and nurse team: £998; Nurse only: £399;
Vet only: £649

Tutors

Emily Cowderoy BSc PdDVetPhysio VN,
Veterinary Physiotherapist, RVC

Pilar Lafuente DVM PhD DipACVS-SA DipECVS
DipACVSMR CCRT FHEA MRCVS, Lecturer in Small
Animal Surgery, Universidad CEU Cardenal Herrera, Valencia

Helen Webb RVN, Senior Veterinary Nurse, RVC

MAKING SENSE OF BEING A ‘REGISTERED’ VETERINARY NURSE ONLINE

Monday 29th April
to Sunday 30th June

New in 2019



Registered Veterinary Nurses are you confused about your legal and professional responsibilities? What does it mean to be a ‘professional’ veterinary nurse?

This online course will explore the role of the Registered Veterinary Nurse and provide you with a grounding in the legal, professional and ethical issues associated with contemporary veterinary nursing practice. You will develop an understanding of your professional and legal obligations and how the inter-relationship between professional elements can impact the delivery of your nursing care and daily decision making.

Why do this course?

The course will allow you to explore some common but challenging situations in clinical practice and develop the skills to support your conclusions and recommendations and be clear about your professional responsibility and accountability.

Key areas

- Professionalism, features of a profession and veterinary nursing, statutory and voluntary regulation, comparisons with other para-professions
- Classification of law, distinctions between criminal and civil cases
- Criminal law: Acts of parliament and statutory instruments; The Veterinary Surgeons Act and Animal protection legislation: Animal Welfare Act, Protection of Animals Act, Abandonment of Animals Act, Dangerous Dogs Act
- Civil law: negligence and contract, consent and duty of Professional misconduct and RCVS disciplinary actions
- Professional responsibilities: Whistle-blowing, Public Interest Disclosure Act, Autonomy and Accountability
- Introduction to ethics and frameworks for problem-solving specific veterinary legal/ethical and professional conflict case-scenarios

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Weekly online activities, reading materials, discussion forums and case studies will be provided to direct you through the learning materials

Course length: Nine weeks

CPD hours: Up to 60

Course fee: £489

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

Madeleine Campbell BVetMed MA (Oxon) MA (Keele) PhD
DipECAR DipECAWBM (AWSEL) MRCVS, Lecturer in
Human-Animal Interactions and Ethics, RVC

Perdi Welsh BSc DipAVN (Surg) CertEd RVN, Lecturer in
Veterinary Nursing, RVC

SMALL MAMMAL NURSING ONLINE

Monday 3rd June to Sunday 14th July



How comfortable are you with nursing a rabbit, rodent or other small mammal?

This course will cover the general approach to nursing the small mammal patient, including species-specific biology, nutritional and husbandry needs. Stabilisation, anaesthesia and some more advanced critical care techniques will also be discussed to develop a logical and comprehensive approach to the nursing care of these species.

Why do this course?

You will build upon your current nursing skills to learn how to formulate a comprehensive nursing care plan for the commonly presented small mammal species, based on their nutritional and environmental needs. You will also gain a deeper knowledge and understanding of how to safely anaesthetise these species and how to approach the critical patient.

Key areas

- Rabbit basic nursing care and biology
- Rabbit anaesthesia and advanced nursing
- Rodent basic nursing care and biology
- Rodent anaesthesia and advanced nursing
- Ferret nursing
- Exotic mammal nursing

Previous participants have commented...

"I have taken away a lot of good ideas for improving our small mammal care when in the practice."

"A very enjoyable course, learning about small animals and how the treatment of them can be improved and put into place."

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include electronic course notes, online lectures, videos and discussion forums with colleagues and tutors

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 18

Course fee: £349

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

Vicki Baldrey BVSc BSc DZooMed (Avian) MRCVS, Exotics Clinician, RVC

Kelly Deane FdSc RVN CertVNES, Exotics Veterinary Nurse, RVC

Abigail Edis FdSc RVN CertVNES, Exotics Veterinary Nurse, RVC

Joanna Hedley BVM&S DZooMed (Reptilian) DipECZM (Herpetology) MRCVS, Lecturer in Exotic Species and Small Mammal Medicine and Surgery, RVC

DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING TECHNIQUES ONLINE FOR NURSES

Monday 2nd September
to Sunday 24th November



Do you want to know more about diagnostic imaging techniques for small animals and play a vital role in supporting a range of diagnostic imaging procedures in your workplace?

This online course is aimed at Registered Veterinary Nurses wishing to extend their knowledge, increase their role and responsibility in radiography and improve their diagnostic imaging techniques.

Through the activities in the course, you will gain skills and knowledge to apply critical appraisal of radiography procedures and promote reflective and evidence-based practice.

Why do this course?

You will develop the skills to obtain and appraise high quality diagnostic images using radiography and provide effective support for other more complex imaging techniques such as ultrasound, computed tomography (CT) and magnetic resonance imaging.

Key areas

- Radiation physics relating to the production of radiographs
- Legislation which govern the use of ionising radiation
- Radiation safety
- Radiographic artifacts
- Creation of a basic exposure chart for radiography
- Normal radiographic anatomy
- Advanced diagnostic imaging techniques
- Routine and specialised techniques
- Care of patients undergoing diagnostic imaging procedures

Previous participants have commented...

"I found the course very interesting and useful and it has enabled me to apply new skills in practice."

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Weekly online activities, reading materials, discussion forums and case studies will be provided to direct you through the learning materials

Course length: Twelve weeks

CPD hours: Up to 60

Course fee: £549

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutors

Lindsey Berriman BSc Radiography, PGCertVetEd, Senior Radiographer, RVC

Ashley Moors FdSc GradDipVN, Radiographer, RVC

SMALL ANIMAL MEDICAL NURSING ONLINE

Monday 9th September
to Sunday 20th October



Confused about medical disease processes? Wondering how the nursing care you give impacts the disease state of your patient?

This online course will help improve your understanding of medical nursing by looking at a range of conditions seen in clinical practice. The pathophysiology, nursing considerations and complications of a number of common medical conditions will be highlighted. Learn how patients suffering from a range of medical conditions are nursed in clinics all over the UK and beyond using discussion forums and the transfer of knowledge through the online course platform. Test your knowledge at the end of each week with self-assessment tasks and watch your knowledge grow!

Why do this course?

This course will refresh your knowledge of key areas in common medical disease pathways as well as discuss how medical conditions are nursed to a high standard. It will help bridge the gap between “what we do” and “why we do it”.

Key areas

- Pathophysiology, nursing management and skills associated with:
 - Canine blood disorders
 - Adrenal disease
 - Pancreatitis and hepatic lipidosis
 - Diabetes and diabetic ketoacidosis
 - Feline triaditis
 - Infectious diseases

Previous participants have commented...

“This course was absolutely fantastic! We were treated like actual intelligent life forms! I have learned more in the last 6 weeks than in the last 6 years – thank you, thank you, thank you!”

“Thank you for running this excellent course and structuring it in this way.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include a combination of one-hour weekly reading tutorials, electronic course notes, shared discussion forums with colleagues and the tutor, including case-based approaches, self-assessment tasks as well as supplementary reading

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 18

Course fee: £349

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutor

Gina Parkes DipAVN (Small animal) RVN, Head Medicine Nurse, RVC

EMERGENCY AND CRITICAL CARE NURSING ONLINE

Monday 30th September
to Sunday 10th November



The phone rings and an emergency is on its way down to the clinic. Are you and the team prepared?

Many nurses find emergency work stressful and overwhelming, but it can be exhilarating and rewarding with a good team and forward thinking. This course is aimed at qualified veterinary nurses who wish to expand and further their knowledge of working with emergency and critical care patients. The course will refresh your knowledge of specific key areas including preparation of the clinic and team, common emergency presentations and how to nurse the hospitalised critical patient. The key elements of each topic will be discussed so that you can take ideas and tips away to implement in your clinic.

Why do this course?

You will increase your confidence in relation to the emergency patient journey. You will review how to set up an emergency service, how to maximise what you already have in your practice, understand the nurse’s role in emergency presentations and key issues relevant to nursing the critical patient.

Key areas

- Introduction to the emergency team
- Triage and patient assessment
- Approach to the collapsed patient
- Approach to the respiratory patient
- Approach to the trauma patient
- Critical care nursing

Previous participants have commented...

“Elle was the perfect tutor for this course – her knowledge is superior and webinars were really easy to follow. I learnt something every week and going back to basics with some things was useful too.”

Course details

Course type: e-CPD

Course format: An intensive tutor-moderated online learning experience. Resources include a one hour weekly reading tutorial, electronic course notes, shared discussion forums including case-based approaches, self-assessment tasks and supplementary reading

Course length: Six weeks

CPD hours: Up to 18

Course fee: £349

Please see page 66 for further details about our e-CPD courses.

Tutor

Eleanor Haskey BSc VTS (ECC) VPAC A1 RVN, Head ECC Nurse, RVC

WEBINAR PLUS: NURSING ONCOLOGY PATIENTS

Monday 4th November
to Sunday 1st December



Would you like to diversify your knowledge of oncology nursing and use that understanding to improve the experience of your cancer patients and clients?

Treating animals diagnosed with cancer is becoming more common in veterinary medicine as many owners now find chemotherapy, surgery and radiation acceptable treatments when exploring the options for their pets. Veterinary nurses can be vital assets to the veterinary practice by administering chemotherapy treatments, providing informative guidance on safe practice and offering caring, compassionate support to the patient and family through their cancer journey.

This course aims to help veterinary nurses develop a greater appreciation of the needs of cancer patients and those of the owners and caregivers within the practice.

Why do this course?

You will develop invaluable knowledge that will maximise your nursing abilities for patients undergoing cancer care in your practice.

Key areas

- Understanding cancer and paraneoplastic syndromes
- The diagnostic approach to cancer
- Treatment options and chemotherapy clinics
- Adverse events and oncological emergencies
- Quality of life assessment, pain management and palliative care

Previous participants have commented...

"The course gave me a better understanding of oncology and what we can do in practice as nurses, as well as making improvements to what we already do."

"Nicola was great, explained things thoroughly and put things into perspective well."

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of one hour weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), quizzes, discussion forums to share experiences and opinions, mini-tasks that include a short assignment to review or improve literature within your own practice and supplementary reading

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 12

Course fee: £249

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Nicola Read PgC(Onc) DipAVN(Med) AFHEA RVN,
Head Oncology Nurse, RVC

LOCAL ANAESTHETIC TECHNIQUES

Friday 8th November



Are you sure we can block that? How do you do it?!

This is a practical onsite course that aims to teach participants the skills required to implement local anaesthesia techniques on a day-to-day basis in veterinary practice. The course is designed to cover information relevant for both vets and nurses. We encourage vets and nurses from the same practice to attend the course so that a coordinated approach to analgesia in their practice can be developed. Relevant legislation will be covered.

Why do this course?

This course will be useful for those who want to start with the basic local anaesthesia techniques but also for those who want to improve/learn more advanced techniques.

Key areas

Lectures

- Clinical pharmacology of local anaesthetic drugs
- Indications and practical techniques for local anaesthesia

Practical sessions

- Epidurals/spinal anaesthesia
- Head/dental blocks
- Hindlimb and forelimb blocks
- Other useful local anaesthetic techniques

Previous participants have commented...

"I found the course really helpful and I've learnt a lot. Hopefully I can use the techniques at my practice. Definitely worth the money."

"It felt like one of the best CPD courses I have ever done. Thank you for a great day of learning. I really enjoyed it."

Course details

Course type: Onsite

Course format: Lectures, case-based discussions and practical sessions

Course length: One day

CPD hours: 8

Course fee: Vet and nurse team: £998; Nurse only: £349;
Vet only: £699

Tutors

Lisa Angell VTS (Anaesthesia/Analgesia) RVN,
Head Anaesthesia Nurse, RVC

Sandra Sanchis Mora DVM MVetMed PhD MRCVS, Staff
Clinician in Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia, RVC

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Course details

Course type: Recorded webinar

Course format: Recorded webinar with a copy of the webinar slides provided

Course length: One hour

CPD hours: 1

Course fee: £20 per webinar

Please see page 72 for further details about our recorded webinar courses.

Tutor

Kelly Druce BSc RVN DTLLS, Medicine/Oncology Nurse and Clinical Educator, RVC

You may also be interested in the Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Veterinary Nursing – see page 80

WEBINAR PLUS: ADVANCED NUTRITION FOR NURSES

Monday 13th January
to Sunday 9th February 2020



Do you want to improve the care you can give your patients through providing optimal nutritional advice to your clients?

Clients frequently ask for advice regarding what to feed their pet, particularly when they develop an illness. With so many different veterinary prescription diets available and so much information on the internet about pet food, it is extremely challenging to differentiate helpful strategies from unsubstantiated claims. In addition, our understanding about the nutritional requirements of companion animals continues to evolve.

Why do this course?

Nurses are closely involved with all aspects of pet nutrition in small animal practice ranging from providing nutritional advice to clients, running weight loss clinics and providing nutritional support to hospitalised patients. There are a plethora of products, information and claims made about various diets that can be confusing to navigate and understand. This online course will increase your knowledge and confidence about a range of nutritional topics.

Key areas

- Understanding how diets can help animals with various problems
- Nutritional support for hospitalised patients – what can we do better?
- Getting the most out of weight loss clinics
- The Raw Deal – raw foods, commercial foods and home-made diets

Previous participants have commented...

“Dan has sparked a massive passion to learn more. His way of teaching was amazing, you felt like you were learning without really doing anything. He made everything easy to understand and when I asked questions, he was never patronising while at the same time simplifying answers.”

“Overall an excellent course with relevant information with good tutor support.”

Course details

Course type: Webinar Plus

Course format: A mixture of weekly webinars (which can be viewed live and/or as recorded versions throughout the course), quizzes to help reinforce topics discussed, supplementary reading material and discussion forums with colleagues and the tutor

Course length: Four weeks

CPD hours: Up to 12

Course fee: £249

Please see page 68 for further details about our Webinar Plus courses.

Tutor

Dan Chan DVM DipACVECC DipECVECC DipACVN FHEA MRCVS, Professor of Emergency Critical Care Medicine and Clinical Nutrition, RVC

LEXIE
BORDER COLLIE CROSS

4 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Lexie gives the best human style cuddles and loves to learn new tricks!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Lexie had a very bad spiral break to her tibia and fibula. She received crucial treatment from the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals to save her leg, including the grafting of a false toe.



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Online courses are a brilliant idea that fits better with a really busy vet's life. The possibility to connect any time and any day is really convenient.

Haematology and cytology online

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e-CPD COURSES

e-CPD courses at the RVC allow veterinarians and vet nurses from around the world to participate in interactive and in-depth online learning. The courses offered cover a range of topics relevant to companion animal and equine clinical practice. The courses are moderated by expert clinical staff. Depending on the course topic, they consist of a mixture of case presentations and assessment, radiographs, downloadable reference sources (notes, textbook references and relevant journal articles), quizzes, videos, weblinks and online asynchronous discussions.

There is no need to log on at any particular time of the day or night so the courses can be completed in your own time. However, you do need to be able to spend at least six to seven hours each week on the course and log on several times throughout each week to get maximum benefit. There are tasks to complete each week and usually deadlines to meet midweek and at the end of the week.

For most e-CPD courses veterinarians can earn up to 42 hours formal CPD and another 10 hours informal CPD as permitted by the RCVS. Nurses can earn up to 24 CPD hours on most courses (60 hours for the two extended courses running for nine and 12 weeks). This means that you can exceed your yearly CPD requirement in one course! At a cost of less than £20 per CPD hour they are one of the most cost effective independent CPD forums in Europe.

The courses are internet based so no special software or computer skills are required – you don't have to be a computer geek to enjoy and participate fully! The unique feature of the RVC e-CPD courses is that they are much more than just an online information delivery mechanism. Interactive activities occur throughout the course, tutor input is extensive and integral to the participants' learning, and veterinarians can share their clinical experiences with, and learn from, a diverse group of colleagues. Veterinarians and veterinary nurses participate from all around the world.

The format of e-CPD is not for everyone. It does not suit everyone's learning preferences, they require commitment and self-discipline and they can be challenging to fit into a busy life. They involve tutor-supported, but also self-directed, learning – so that, more than in any other form of CPD, you get out of it what you put in. You also have to make your own coffee. But for those who can commit the time, like to learn at their own pace, at times convenient to their work, family and social life, have time to reflect on their learning, be part of an active learning community, have the flexibility to explore topics in greater depth or simply those who wish to avoid having to travel and be away from home or work to participate in CPD, e-CPD is an ideal CPD format. Course numbers are limited to enhance participants' learning experience and in 2018 most courses were fully booked. So it is wise to book early to avoid disappointment.

It is also important to fully consider where you are going to find the time to do the course each week. These courses are intense and we make no apology for that. They take time which can be challenging if you do not set aside specific times to do the work. You schedule time off work to attend a face-to-face CPD course, so if your work and home life is very full why not consider booking time off each week to enable you to participate fully in, and get maximum benefit from, the rich online learning experience of e-CPD?



Previous participants have commented...

“Fantastic value for money. My fourth and won't be last RVC online course. Please keep bringing out new ones!”

“Even though this is a bit of a time commitment, I feel that the time available struck a great balance between pushing you to get tasks complete without being totally overwhelming.”

“The posts from other participants are really useful as the cases are true cases and not always by the book as we learn them.”

“Seeing other people's work helped me refine my own, and it was always reassuring when other people asked the question I was going to ask myself!”

“I like the intensity of the courses, as it makes me sit down for a period of 6 weeks and really concentrate on one set of clinical skills. Although the topics I have chosen have targeted a specific skill set, I find the diversity of the discussion forums and cases are a good reminder of general medical conditions.”

“You have totally opened my eyes to e-CPD – I am now your biggest fan!”

“It was soooooo comprehensive!! I was concerned that e-CPD might not be for me because I like to ask a lot of questions to the lecturer if I don't understand as I go along, but having notes to digest at my own pace and refer back to was actually even better! I am converted! :-)”

“I like e-CPD courses as they can be completed at times that suit me and you can interact with others on the forums.”

“Haven't regretted spending that money and was actually surprised by the excellent quality of an online course.”

“I find it the most useful way of doing CPD, and as appealing as a day off work to sit in a darkened room is, I get more out of this.”

“Really enjoyed it and as a mother (new mum!) it was great to be able to complete the tasks in my own time.”

“The ability to learn in my own time and at home suited me far more than travelling to a CPD course when I am often tired and find it hard to take things in.”

“The nature of online courses is such that you have your own time to review the material and practice the skills taught (i.e. radiograph interpretation) at your own pace.”

“Per hour for CPD it is very good value compared to attended courses.”

“To misuse the term... the forum is a “safe space”. It felt to me you could ask anything and not feel foolish. It reminds me that vets by and large are good people. It is why I keep signing up for these courses!”

“I liked the fact that I could work through all the material in my own time and then tailor the practical components to any clinical cases I was seeing at work during the course. I also never felt rushed to get onto the next section of the course.”

“When compared with the cost of other online ultrasound courses, this one worked out far cheaper per hour of CPD and I feel the knowledge and confidence I have gained in scanning was more than worth the money.”

“This is not my first and won't be my last.”



2019 e-CPD programme	e-CPD course title	Details
Monday 14th January to Sunday 24th February	Clinical therapeutics online	See page 8
Monday 14th January to Sunday 3rd March	Small animal veterinary computed tomography online: Head/neck, musculoskeletal and neurological applications	See page 34
Monday 21st January to Sunday 3rd March	Logical clinical problem solving online	See page 8
Monday 21st January to Sunday 3rd March	Equine radiology online – the forelimb	See page 42
Monday 11th February to Sunday 24th March	Feline neurology online – a problem based approach	See page 9
Monday 11th February to Sunday 24th March	Exotic animal nursing online	See page 58
Monday 18th February to Sunday 24th March Practical day: Wednesday 22nd May	Abdominal ultrasonography online	See page 35
Monday 18th February to Sunday 31st March	Anaesthesia and analgesia for veterinary nurses online	See page 58
Monday 25th February to Sunday 7th April	Haematology and cytology online	See page 9
Monday 29th April to Sunday 30th June	Making sense of being a ‘Registered’ Veterinary Nurse online	See page 59
Monday 3rd June to Sunday 14th July	Equine radiology online – the hindlimb	See page 42
Monday 3rd June to Sunday 14th July	Small mammal nursing online	See page 60
Monday 2nd September to Sunday 13th October	Ophthalmology online – a problem based approach	See page 12
Monday 2nd September to Sunday 24th November	Diagnostic imaging techniques online for nurses	See page 60
Monday 9th September to Sunday 20th October	Small animal medical nursing online	See page 61
Monday 16th September to Sunday 27th October	Emergency patient online	See page 19
Monday 30th September to Sunday 10th November	Clinical problem solving in small animal neurology online	See page 13
Monday 30th September to Sunday 10th November	Emergency and critical care nursing online	See page 61
Monday 7th October to Sunday 17th November	Learn to read radiographs online	See page 38
Monday 7th October to Sunday 17th November	Rabbits, rodents and ferrets – medicine and surgery online	See page 49
Monday 28th October to Sunday 8th December	Equine radiology online – the head, neck and back	See page 44

Please see www.rvc.ac.uk/cpd for details and dates for all online courses.

WEBINAR PLUS COURSES

A hybrid of our themed webinar series and e-CPD courses, each Webinar Plus course provides a rich learning experience over four weeks. Less intense than e-CPD but with greater learning support than webinars alone, each course is worth up to 16 hours of CPD hours and involves a mixture of webinars, online case assessment exercises, supplementary reading material and discussion forums involving the tutors and colleagues from around the world.

There is a webinar each week (one to two hours) which participants can attend 'live' or view the recorded version if the day or time does not suit their schedule. In addition, participants have access to our web-based virtual learning platform, where there will be a variety of learning resources available to support the topic of each week including supplementary reading material and cases as well as self-assessment exercises.

There will be discussion forums for interaction with fellow participants as well as tutor moderated Q&A sessions each week so all of your concerns and queries about the topic can be aired and discussed. Webinar Plus series are fantastic value for independent, superb, flexible, tutor-guided CPD.

Previous participants have commented...

"These Webinar Plus courses are one of the best delivery methods for CPD. The webinars are really excellent and then being able to discuss and interact, over the course of a month really means you can actively gain knowledge and have confidence to use it in practice."

"[Webinar Plus courses] are ideal for my style of learning – I can rewind, pause, think, Google etc. in between and can submit questions during or after the talk."

"They allow me to study at my own pace and it's handy to learn from other people's questions in the discussion forums."

"I liked the way you didn't have to watch the webinar live so you could watch it in your own time and at your own pace and you could review it again and again."

"I really enjoyed the course format and have already been looking at one for next year!"

"I like studying a topic in a more in depth way – doing 16 hours CPD in one area – feels like it makes more of a lasting impact on my practice."

"The mixture of learning formats really helped the content sink in."

"Especially great for vets who are parents and need to be home in the evenings!"

"Being able to have a 'student-teacher' experience at the comfort of my own home was great."

"This is an excellent and easily accessible means of CPD."

"Much better than day attendance as can do as and when required and review as necessary."



"Being off on maternity with a toddler and baby trying to have a day out for CPD is very difficult. I could do this CPD around them but still feel I am learning a lot. I like that you are forced to do the CPD during the 4 week period as it is easy to delay these things and it made me do it then. Also this means that all of the material is fresh in my mind rather than me dragging it out and thus can't remember a lot of it when doing the next lecture. Lastly I enjoyed applying my knowledge with the cases after the lectures. It was like a mini test where I could apply what I had learnt. This helped consolidate my learning."

"I really like that it was available at any time so can be done when you have free time!"

"Easy to use interface, excellent level of experience and knowledge from lecturer."

"I found the forums a really useful resource and way to learn."

"This was a fantastic way to learn and just the right number of hours to fit around work and family life."

"I enjoyed reading and participating in the forums. It felt welcoming and a safe environment to discuss live cases and share experiences with the specialists. Definitely a valuable feature of the course to consolidate the lectures and notes and allow questions to be asked after processing all the information!"

"For what you get and for the amount of hours of CPD it is worth it really is great value for money. I would definitely do more RVC Webinar Plus courses."

"It's great as I don't have to travel from Ireland to do it but still get the great quality CPD from the RVC – it's the only CPD provider I would take CPD from."



2019 Webinar Plus programme	Webinar Plus course title	Details
Monday 14th January to Sunday 10th February	Webinar Plus: Fundamentals of emergency medicine: Part 2	See page 18
Monday 21st January to Sunday 17th February	Webinar Plus: Approach to birds and reptiles in general practice	See page 48
Monday 25th February to Sunday 24th March	Webinar Plus: Training the trainer – what to do with EMS students?	See page 52
Wednesday 27th February to Tuesday 26th March	Webinar Plus: Thoracic and abdominal radiology	See page 35
Monday 4th to Sunday 31st March	Webinar Plus: Management of the small animal trauma patient: Part 1	See page 18
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Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May	Webinar Plus: A multidisciplinary approach to urinary tract disorders	See page 10
Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May	Webinar Plus: Backyard poultry problems and solutions	See page 48
Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May	Webinar Plus: Euthanasia and bereavement – understanding and supporting your clients, your colleagues and yourself	See page 52
Monday 6th May to Sunday 2nd June	Webinar Plus: Feline endocrinology	See page 11
Monday 3rd to Sunday 30th June	Webinar Plus: Problem-solving in small animal anaesthesia	See page 19
Monday 3rd to Sunday 30th June	Webinar Plus: Building resilience to the challenges and pressures of practice	See page 53
Monday 2nd to Sunday 29th September	Webinar Plus: Orthopaedic essentials	See page 25
Monday 23rd September to Sunday 20th October	Webinar Plus: Canine endocrinology	See page 12
Monday 23rd September to Sunday 20th October	Webinar Plus: Overcoming challenges to communication in practice	See page 54
Monday 30th September to Sunday 27th October	Webinar Plus: Soft tissue surgical principles	See page 27
Monday 4th November to Sunday 1st December	Webinar Plus: Management of the small animal trauma patient: Part 2	See page 20
Monday 4th November to Sunday 1st December	Webinar Plus: Navigating the CertAVP A module	See page 54
Monday 4th November to Sunday 1st December	Webinar Plus: Nursing oncology patients	See page 62
Monday 13th January to Sunday 9th February 2020	Webinar Plus: A multidisciplinary approach to oncologic surgery	See page 30
Monday 13th January to Sunday 9th February 2020	Webinar Plus: Advanced nutrition for nurses	See page 63

Please see www.rvc.ac.uk/cpd for details and dates for all online courses.

WEBINARS



Another convenient and flexible way to earn some CPD hours without leaving home is to listen to a webinar live or select webinars to view from our extensive library of recorded webinars.

Live webinars

Our live webinars can be viewed live on the dates indicated or purchased for viewing at a later date. Each webinar will run for two hours (starting at 12 noon London time) and there will be plenty of opportunity for interaction with the tutor. All participants will have access to the webinars for two weeks so they can review the presentations as many times as they wish to embed learning. Participants will receive a CPD certificate for two CPD hours. Webinars can be bought individually or as part of a series.

Live webinars give you the opportunity for Q&As with the lecturer plus access to a recorded version for two weeks. A recorded version will be available to purchase approximately two weeks after the live date.

Previous participants have commented...

“The live webinars on pigs and alpacas were wonderful.”

“Good slides, clear information, facility to ask questions.”

“Very practical and should be straightforward to apply in real life!”

“Excellent speaker who understood issues faced in general practice.”

“Very informative and easy to fit in my busy schedule.”

“The speaker was very knowledgeable and discussed cases in a straightforward manner.”

Live webinar title	Dates	Details
Webinar: The challenge of chronic otitis	Friday 3rd May	See page 11
Webinars: Fundamentals of equine practice	See topics and dates below	See page 43
Lameness webinars:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Tendon injuries – first line treatment to long term management</i> – Friday 10th May• <i>Shoeing for different conditions</i> – Friday 17th May• <i>Diagnosis and management of common foot conditions</i> – Friday 24th May• <i>Practical guide to the use and interpretation of nerve and joint blocks</i> – Friday 31st May• <i>Investigation of poor performance</i> – Friday 7th June• <i>The approach to the swollen joint</i> – Friday 14th June• <i>A practical approach to the diagnosis and management of back and sacroiliac pain</i> – Friday 21st June• <i>Equine laminitis</i> – Friday 28th June	
Emergency webinars:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>How to perform emergency tracheostomy, chest drain placement, ligation of the common carotid artery and manage castration complications</i> – Friday 6th September• <i>First aid and resuscitation of the sick neonatal foal</i> – Friday 13th September• <i>The non-weight bearing horse including fracture stabilisation</i> – Friday 20th September• <i>Decision making with the colicing horse</i> – Friday 27th September	
Medicine webinars:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Investigation and management of cutaneous lumps and bumps</i> – Friday 1st November• <i>Practical management of the coughing horse</i> – Friday 8th November• <i>So, the liver enzymes are raised and the white cell count is low...? Practical interpretation of your biochemistry and haematology</i> – Tuesday 12th November• <i>The itchy horse: What's new?</i> – Friday 22nd November• <i>Oh no, I think it's ataxic!</i> – Friday 29th November	

Please see www.rvc.ac.uk/cpd for details and dates for all online courses in 2019

RECORDED WEBINAR PLUS



You can purchase fully recorded Webinar Plus courses at any time of the year to suit your schedule. These are based on courses that have run live in previous years where the tutors are happy that the content is still up-to-date and relevant. They contain all of the learning material (webinars, reading material, slides and self-assessment exercises) but are not tutor moderated. A set of FAQs is available for each course that represent the questions and concerns of previous participants and the tutor responses. The fee for recorded Webinar Plus courses is £199 and participants can earn 12 CPD hours.

Previous participants have commented...

“I liked that it is broken down to manageable topics, so not overloaded with information. Also liked that there is plenty of time to complete it. I thought the case assessment quizzes were excellent – challenging and informative, with very helpful answers afterwards.”

“Very easy to fit in around a busy life.”

“Well presented, good additional materials, good range of topics.”

“Pitched at the correct level for general practice.”

Recorded Webinar Plus title	Course details
Chronic kidney disease in cats and dogs	Key areas <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kidney disease in cats and dogs – what’s the difference?• I can feel it in my waters! Making a diagnosis of CKD• Managing CKD – is it just about the diet?• Opening the sieve – glomerular disease and how to treat it
Diagnosis and management of hepatobiliary disorders	Key areas <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hepatic and pancreatic disease – how much can clinical pathology really tell you?• Approach to diagnosis and management of hepatobiliary disease• Common canine and feline hepatobiliary diseases• Update on diagnosis and management of pancreatitis in dogs and cats
Essentials of GI disorders	Key areas <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Logical approach to vomiting, diarrhoea and weight loss• Understanding inflammatory bowel disease – pathophysiology and diagnosis• Understanding inflammatory bowel disease – management and prognosis• Clinical relevance of gut bacteria in health and disease
Feline cardiology	Key areas <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of feline heart disease• The cat with congestive heart failure• The asymptomatic cat with heart disease• Arterial thromboembolism and other dire consequences of heart disease
Fundamentals of emergency medicine: Part 1	Key areas <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to triage emergency patients• Types of shock and their clinical signs• Emergency fluid therapy planning• Localisation of respiratory distress• Methods of oxygen delivery• How and when to perform thoracocentesis• What are AFAST and TFAST and when to use them• How to perform abdominocentesis• Indications for emergency abdominal surgery

Please see www.rvc.ac.uk/cpd for details and dates for all online courses in 2019

RECORDED WEBINARS



Priced at £30 for a two-hour webinar for vets or £20 for a one hour webinar for vet nurses, recorded webinars are great value for busy practitioners seeking quality CPD at a time of their choice. Participants will receive a copy of the slides and/or notes to support their viewing session and a certificate for one or two CPD hours. Participants gain access to the webinar for two weeks which allows them to view it at their leisure and convenience as well as review aspects as needed to enhance their learning. Members of the BVA Young Vets Network receive a 50% discount on our recorded webinars (subject to availability – 10 discounted places available per webinar per year).

Recorded webinar themes

- Small animal anaesthesia and analgesia
- Small animal emergency and critical care
- Equine
- Small animal diagnostic imaging
- Small animal dermatology
- Farm animal
- Small animal medicine and pharmacology
- Orthopaedics
- Small animal soft tissue surgery

Examples of recorded webinars available for vets include:

- Musculoskeletal injuries in sport and working dogs
- Septic peritonitis – diagnosis and management
- Cardiopulmonary arrest – what's new?
- The coughing and bleeding dog: Everything you wanted to know about lungworm
- The clinically deteriorating in-patient
- Making sense of the numbers – does every patient with azotemia have renal failure?
- Managing CKD, is it just about the diet?
- Common hepatobiliary disease
- Radiology for small animal emergencies
- Anaesthesia and analgesia in farm animal practice
- Antimicrobial selection in farm animal practice
- Pyoderma: MRSA versus MRSP
- Imaging and biopsying the liver and spleen
- Imaging the gastrointestinal tract
- Assessing hepatobiliary clinical pathology
- Basic normal computed tomographic anatomy in dogs, the head, neck, thorax and abdomen
- Blood gas and electrolytes
- Common diseases in alpacas – case management (individual and herd), therapeutics and prevention
- Small ruminants for vets in practice
- Smallholder pigs for vets in practice
- Diagnosis and management of hepatobiliary disorders
- How to approach animal health issues on organic farms
- Problem based approach to the patient in shock
- Opening the sieve: Glomerular disease and how to treat it
- Understanding Alabama rot

Recorded webinars available for vet nurses:

- Feline hyperthyroidism
- Managing CKD in cats
- Feline acromegaly
- Update on feline diabetes
- Effective clinical coaching
- Hyperadrenocorticism and hypoadrenocorticism
- Safe administration of chemotherapy
- Acute kidney injury (AKI) – recognising acute from chronic

For the full listing of the live and recorded webinars available to purchase, please refer to the CPD website www.rvc.ac.uk/cpd

Live webinars run in 2019 will be available to purchase as recorded webinars at the conclusion of the course.

Previous participants have commented...

“I’m listening to the webinar on small ruminants at the moment, I just would like to say that it is very helpful.”

“Could stop and replay bits I found more difficult. Practical information was very useful.”

“Thank you for providing such a well written and well paced lecture.”

“Great summary of current theories with practical application.”

“The lecturer is known worldwide for her expertise in the field of equine laminitis: a lecture taken by her is undoubtedly of great value.”

“I was very impressed and would recommend this lecture [cardiopulmonary arrest] to anyone wanting to do a CPR update.”

MICHELANGELO
HORSEFIELD TORTOISE

4 years old

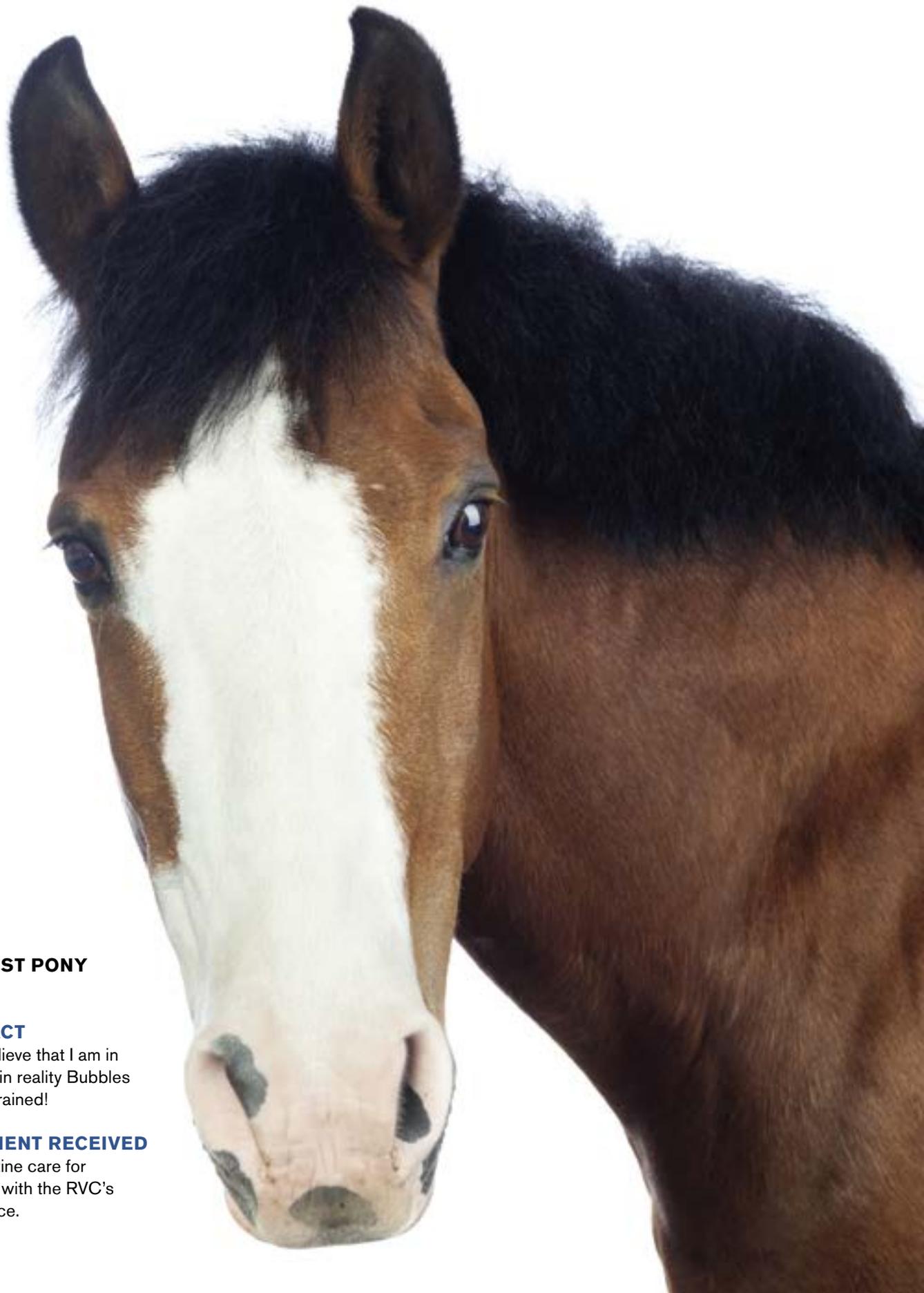
☆ **FUN FACT**

When he's in a mischievous mood, he loves to chase after people's feet.

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Treated for an infection at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.





BUBBLES
NEW FOREST PONY
25 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**
I am led to believe that I am in control... but in reality Bubbles has ME well trained!

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**
Received routine care for over 15 years with the RVC's Equine Practice.

Postgraduate study

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*I have developed improved empathy
with clients and colleagues, and
have a re-invigorated enthusiasm
for practice life.*

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CertAVP A Module

RCVS CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED VETERINARY PRACTICE

The RVC has been accredited to assess a range of modules for the RCVS Certificate of Advanced Veterinary Practice (CertAVP).

All candidates who wish to obtain the post-nominal CertAVP must be assessed to achieve 60 credits. These must be completed within a 10 year time period and candidates may 'mix and match' module assessments offered by different academic institutions.

There are two compulsory modules which cover a range of competencies expected from an experienced practising veterinary surgeon: Foundations of Advanced Veterinary Practice (Module A-FAVP.1 – 10 credits) and Clinical Practice (various B modules – 10 credits). You may then choose specific discipline based C modules or a combination of B and C modules to reach 60 credits (a total of four additional C and/or B modules). 100 hours of work is required for most modules which can be made up by research, reading journals, case studies/diaries, attending conferences and relevant CPD courses.

Learning outcomes of the CertAVP

You will need to demonstrate:

- A thorough understanding of the knowledge base and a critical awareness of developments at the forefront of your area of professional practice;
- A comprehensive understanding of techniques applicable to your own area of practice;
- Originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and clinical enquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in your professional area;
- Conceptual understanding that enables you to:
 - critically evaluate current literature and research in your professional area;
 - evaluate clinical methods and techniques and develop critiques of them, and where appropriate, propose new approaches to professional practice.

Typically, holders of the CertAVP qualification will be able to:

- Deal with complex issues in an organised and creative manner, make sound judgements in the absence of complete data, and communicate their conclusions clearly to veterinary colleagues and to non-veterinary audiences, including clients;
- Demonstrate self direction and originality in tackling and solving problems, and act autonomously in planning and implementing tasks in their professional area of work; continue to advance their knowledge and understanding, and develop new skills to a high level.

Candidates will have the qualities and transferable skills necessary for professional veterinary work requiring:

- The exercise of initiative and personal responsibility;
- Decision-making in complex and unpredictable situations;
- The independent learning ability required for continuing professional development.

Why choose the RVC?

The CertAVP at the RVC encourages independent, adult-centred and self-directed learning; it is not a taught course. The aim of the assessment process at the RVC is not only to support you to fully understand the quality of your current clinical practice but also to foster life-long learning skills and to advance and enhance your clinical knowledge, skills and understanding. Reflective, critical practice is expected and encouraged.

The learning scaffold for CertAVP at the RVC is your clinical and professional experience – the learning you build by reading, formal CPD and other learning activities around the professional issues you have faced in your practice and the clinical cases you manage. Setting your own learning goals to help you achieve the learning outcomes for the modules and seeking the learning opportunities that fulfil your learning needs are crucial activities for an adult learning experience. So, although the CertAVP at the RVC is not a taught course (which can imply that everyone has the same learning needs), there are rich learning opportunities at every stage. These include the detailed and personalised feedback you will receive on your work, a range of discounted RVC CPD courses that support learning outcomes for many CertAVP modules, a wide variety of online learning resources including access to the RVC library and where needed one-to-one learning support from our Learning Development team or module leaders.

RVC assessors have specialist and higher educational qualifications that ensure the level of assessment is educationally sound, robust, fair and at the level expected of veterinarians aspiring to achieve Advanced Practitioner status. Extensive feedback is provided on all submitted work. Assessment of your work is **for** your learning, not just **of** your learning. Our aim is to help you develop life-long commitment to improving your practice, and therefore skills such as self-analysis, clinical reasoning, and accessing, interpreting, and applying information, are of utmost importance to the RVC-based CertAVP.

Reflection is an important component of the CertAVP for a very good reason and will remain so. By learning to reflect on your practice, you learn how to analyse what you do and why you do it, become better placed to explain this to clients or colleagues, and identify areas for improvement. Even more importantly, where you are competent at a skill in one context, reflection probes you to consider whether you could repeat that skill in a more demanding situation, or adapt it to fit a more challenging context. By analysing situations where you feel some discomfort, reflection encourages you to consider why you feel less satisfied, and how you could develop your approach to be more satisfying in future. Were it not for reflection, the implication is that there is no room for improvement.

Enrolment details

You can enrol with the RVC throughout the year and must also enrol with the RCVS (please see the RCVS website for details – www.rcvs.org.uk). The C modules have an annual assessment cycle so it is advised to enrol before a cycle begins; check the module outlines on the website (www.rvc.ac.uk/certavp) for the timetable or contact certavp@rvc.ac.uk for enrolment advice.

The fees for the 2018/2019 academic year are:

RVC registration fee: £50

RVC module fee: £620 per module

Learning support

Once you enrol, you receive support throughout your studies from the CertAVP team, 1-2-1 coaching and written feedback from assessors, contact with study buddies and access to extensive online material.

Online resources include sample case diaries, case reports and exam questions, interesting literature, helpful articles, links to electronic journals, videos, and clinical cases with model answers. A recorded webinar is available for each specific discipline giving advice and tips on preparing for module assessment tasks. You will have access to the RVC library, both online and in person, and an Athens account (which allows access to many journals online).

Some of the RVC CPD courses in 2019 specifically address learning objectives in various CertAVP modules. In addition, many other RVC CPD courses cover topics relevant to veterinarians enrolled on the CertAVP. RVC CertAVP candidates are eligible for discounted RVC CPD courses – please contact our office for further details.

CertAVP online induction day

On Wednesday 17th July 2019 we will be hosting an online CertAVP induction day for any veterinarian interested in the CertAVP, whether they are newly enrolled or not and a CertAVP clinic for candidates already enrolled.

See page 54 for further details.

Course Director

Jill Maddison BVSc DipVetClinStud PhD FACVSc SFHEA MRCVS, Professor of General Practice, RVC

More details on the CertAVP, how to apply and fees can be found online at www.rvc.ac.uk/certavp

RVC CertAVP candidates have said...

“Studying for this [AFAVP] module has undoubtedly positively affected my veterinary career; through increased knowledge it has increased my confidence in daily practice, and improved my understanding and interpretation of the RCVS Code of Professional Conduct, particularly regarding veterinary prescribing.”

“Overall, through studying the AFAVP module, I have developed improved empathy with clients and colleagues, and have re-invigorated my enthusiasm for practice life (I have voted in the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Council elections for the first time in many years), and it has increased my motivation and determination to continue onwards to complete the certificate in advanced veterinary practice.”

“After submitting my first [AFAVP] essay plans for assessment, I found the feedback comments both informative and stimulating, and I felt invigorated in researching and writing the essays.”

“I feel that I have prepared for a new era of independent learning whilst having a greater appreciation and ability to deal with the challenges of our profession. I now see the wealth of literature published related to the challenging, non-clinical and wider aspects of my job – such as decision making, ethics, and effective mentoring as well as our Professional Code of Conduct – for their considerable worth. I see reflective learning as a firm foundation for the rest of my CertAVP.”

“One of the most valuable lessons was responding to failure and using constructive criticism as a learning tool... I appreciated I needed to improve my reflection. I now include more examples of how the research I have done has (or will) influence my practice, ensuring that the new protocols are implemented, and we are using evidence based-techniques. I now appreciate the difference between writing about what has been done (with references for ‘best practice’) and understanding why this is best practice.”

“Overall, the research I have done for these [BSAP] reports has made positive and genuine improvements to many areas of clinical practice, improving patient safety and changing my approach to cases using a problem-based approach, as well as refining my research skills, giving me the confidence to put what I learn into practice, improving my reflective skills, and understanding why something is best practice, rather than just following pre-ordained protocols.”

“The system is well set up for remote learning and the CertAVP team are friendly, approachable and very helpful.”

“Worth all the hard work! Thank you!”

“The marking and feedback prior to marking was excellent and helpful in deciding the level needed.”

“I genuinely appreciated the high-quality feedback and with hindsight realise that I benefited greatly from the work required to revise this essay.”

“I have found work towards the BSAP module a fantastic experience which I am glad I voluntarily underwent. I strongly believe I have now developed a greater understanding of the principles of general veterinary practice, which in turn, has improved the quality and standard of the treatment of animals in my care.”

“The required further reading for the cases and case logs extended both my depth and breadth of knowledge beyond my pre-existing level and beyond the requirements for my case reports.”

Modules available for assessment at the RVC

The learning objectives and syllabus for each module have been developed by the RCVS. See www.rvc.ac.uk/certavp for detailed information about content, assessment and learning support for modules assessed by the RVC.

A-FAVP.1 Module: Foundations of Advanced Veterinary Practice

Assessment for this module requires the candidate to write five essays related to professional issues: Principles of professional reasoning and decision making; Animal and public health protection; Animal welfare, professional conduct and veterinary ethics; and Quality and safety in veterinary practice. The essays are submitted electronically and the candidate is not required to attend the RVC. There is also a short online quiz to assess the 5th learning area for the module – Emergency care and the RCVS Code of Conduct. The final assessment activity is a reflective essay of the candidate's learning through the module.

B Modules: Clinical Practice

The B modules in Clinical Practice are assessed by submission of case reports and a reflective essay. Candidates are not required to attend the RVC for assessment.

- B-SAP.1 Small Animal Practice
- B-PAP.2 Production Animal Practice – in the context of cattle, sheep and camelids
- B-EP.3 Equine Practice

C Modules

C modules are assessed by a variety of methods depending on the discipline. Most require some form of case diary, several case reports, essays and examination (at the RVC).

Small Animal Medicine

C-SAM.7, C-SAM.8, C-SAM.9 and C-SAM.10 Small Animal Medicine

Small Animal Surgery

- C-SAS.1 Small Animal Surgery Practice
- C-SAS.2 and C-SAS.3 Soft Tissue Surgery
- C-SAS.6 and C-SAS.7 Orthopaedic Surgery

Anaesthesia

- C-VA.1 Small Animal Anaesthesia and Analgesia
- C-VA.2 Equine Anaesthesia and Analgesia
- C-VA.3 Critical Care and Analgesia

Veterinary Cardiology

- C-VC.1 Cardiovascular Anatomy, Physiology and Pathology
- C-VC.2 Cardiovascular Diagnostics
- C-VC.3 Cardiovascular Therapeutics

Emergency and Critical Care

- C-ECC.1 Critical Care
- C-ECC.2 and C-ECC.3 Emergency Care

Veterinary Primary Care

(assessed in collaboration with Vet Learning Ltd)

- C-VCG.1 Clinical Governance in Veterinary Practice
- C-VGP.1 Clinical Audit
- C-VGP.2 Consultation Skills
- C-VGP.3 Professional Responsibility and Practice
- C-VML.1 Principles of Veterinary Management and Leadership
- C-VCM.1 Principles of Coaching and Mentoring Development in Veterinary Practice

Teaching

- C-VWT.1 Veterinary Workplace Teaching

Equine

- C-E.1 Equine Gastrointestinal Disease and Intensive Care
- C-E.2 Equine Cardiovascular and Respiratory Disease
- C-E.3 Equine General Medicine
- C-E.4 Equine Neuromuscular, Behaviour and Special Senses

Global Veterinary Public Health

- C-VPH.1 Animal Welfare in the Food Chain
- C-VPH.2 Hygienic Production of Food

Pathology

- C-VP.1 Basic Tissue Pathology, Necropsy and Biopsy
- C-VP.2 Clinical Pathology – Laboratory Diagnostics

PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE PROGRAMME (VETD)

Intake dates: January, June and September

Course fee: UK and EU Tuition: £2,130 per annum;
International Tuition: £11,690 per annum

The RVC offers a Professional Doctorate degree, the VetD. This degree is designed for students who intend to become scholar practitioners in that they study at the doctoral level to address workplace-related or industry-related problems from both theoretical and practical perspectives. Students are challenged to develop high-impact research questions that are of benefit to academia and commerce alike. Unlike many PhDs, the courses are highly structured to support students who may have been out of academia for a while and have the added virtue of creating a peer-support network amongst the student cohort which can be rare in distance learning doctorate programmes.

The degree is 100% online and students are recommended to study part-time with a maximum of eight years to complete the course. For the preparatory 90 credits students can undertake modules from CertAVP or any HEFCE Level 7 modules offered by the RVC. Candidates are welcome to apply for accreditation for prior learning should they have completed any HEFCE Level 7 modules that are related to their course of study.

There are five compulsory modules. These are designed to equip students with advanced knowledge and critical reflection of their workplace and industry (Foundations of Professionalism at 30 credits and Organisation Focused Study at 60 credits) and advanced knowledge of research methods (Methods of Enquiry One at 30 credits and Methods of Enquiry Two at 30 credits) that will lead to the development of a sound research question and objectives thereby meeting the criteria to commence the ultimate compulsory module: Research Thesis at 300 credits.

Key learning outcomes show the balance between academic enquiry and the practical application of the courses:

- Critical evaluation and dissemination of information from a variety of sources to develop understanding and make decisions
- Collaboration with experts and policymakers across a wide range of disciplines and organisations
- Designing and executing an independent research project or portfolio of research
- Effective and scientifically rigorous communication of information and experimental conclusions in oral and written formats
- Managing human, financial and physical resources, as appropriate, to achieve project aims
- Monitoring of own learning and development to identify learning needs and to plan and manage their acquisition
- Reflective and self-critical approach to research and professional development
- Professional and intellectual skills to deliver leadership, inspiration and motivation of others

Graduates of the Professional Doctorate degree are equipped with a unique set of advanced skills to critically observe complex organisations to design research programmes that solve real-world problems with sustainable, creative solutions.

Course Director

Christine Thuranira-McKeever

Director, Distance Learning Programmes, RVC

Details of the application process:

1. Send an e-mail to researchdegrees@rvc.ac.uk as an expression of interest
2. Submit a brief project outline
3. Agree RVC supervisor
4. Agree workplace supervisor
5. Panel interview at RVC

More details on the Professional Doctorate programme can be found online: www.rvc.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/professional-doctorate

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PROFESSIONAL AND CLINICAL VETERINARY NURSING

May 2019 to September 2021

Course fee: UK students: £6,090; International, Channel Islands and Isle of Man students: £7,630

The RVC Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Veterinary Nursing is a unique distance-learning programme for practising Registered Veterinary Nurses. This course is delivered online via the RVC's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE). There are seven modules in total (including three electives) running over 29 months.

If you are currently employed in practice and want to develop greater professional knowledge and the skills to take you to the next level of your career, then the RVC Graduate Diploma will help you to do so. You will benefit from exposure to some of the best clinical specialists in the UK, joining a network of like-minded individuals to enhance the status of the veterinary nursing profession. Veterinary nurses who successfully complete the course will receive a recognised post-qualification university award at Higher Education level 6, from the RVC, University of London and will be able to use the post-nominals GradDipVN.

Each module has an assigned subject specialist who acts as a tutor, helping you navigate through the learning activities, and setting a series of collaborative tasks, assignments and online discussion activities, all of which contribute to your specialist knowledge and understanding. You will be expected to log onto the VLE several times each week and we advise students that they will need to commit approximately 15 hours a week to study.

Key areas

We know from our graduates that recipients of this qualification have encountered greater career opportunities, including improved recognition and responsibilities in the workplace. Graduates have used their qualification to:

- Take on specialist nursing roles
- Become better equipped to care for patients
- Develop critical skills through knowledge and practical application
- Enhance input into clinical teams
- Publish journal articles
- Undertake further study at university

Previous participants have commented...

"It really encourages a vet nurse to build upon their knowledge and implement positive changes to their nursing... raising the standards."

"I genuinely enjoyed the module. It has helped me get my teeth back into academia and it has reignited my passion for what I do."

"I really enjoyed the case examples to get me thinking about clinical signs and the physiology behind them. I think this does help apply nursing care to the patients too and helped me understand their needs."

"I really appreciated the fact that my tutor was more than willing to help, give advice and go out of their way to encourage me to think positively and finish the module. The Course Director was also available to answer my questions, which was also really helpful. Thank you!"

"Since completing this course I feel I have improved greatly as a veterinary nurse. I have a lot more of a holistic and analytical approach to my nursing care and it has really taught me to think outside the box. The course has given me the confidence to question different nursing and treatment options and discuss with the clinicians the most beneficial plan for each individual patient based on scientific evidence."

Employers have commented...

"Excellent challenging course for the capable nurse."

"We advertise that we have RVNs and Graduate Diploma holders to demonstrate our dedication to the clients and patients."

"We feel it is beneficial to the individual and the practice as a whole."

Course Director

Perdi Welsh BSc DipAVN(Surg) CertEd RVN, Lecturer in Veterinary Nursing, RVC

More details on the Graduate Diploma, how to apply, fees and a downloadable application form can be found online at www.rvc.ac.uk/VNdiploma

Applications close on 13th March 2019 for the May 2019 intake.

FERGUS
IRISH WOLFHOUND

3 years old

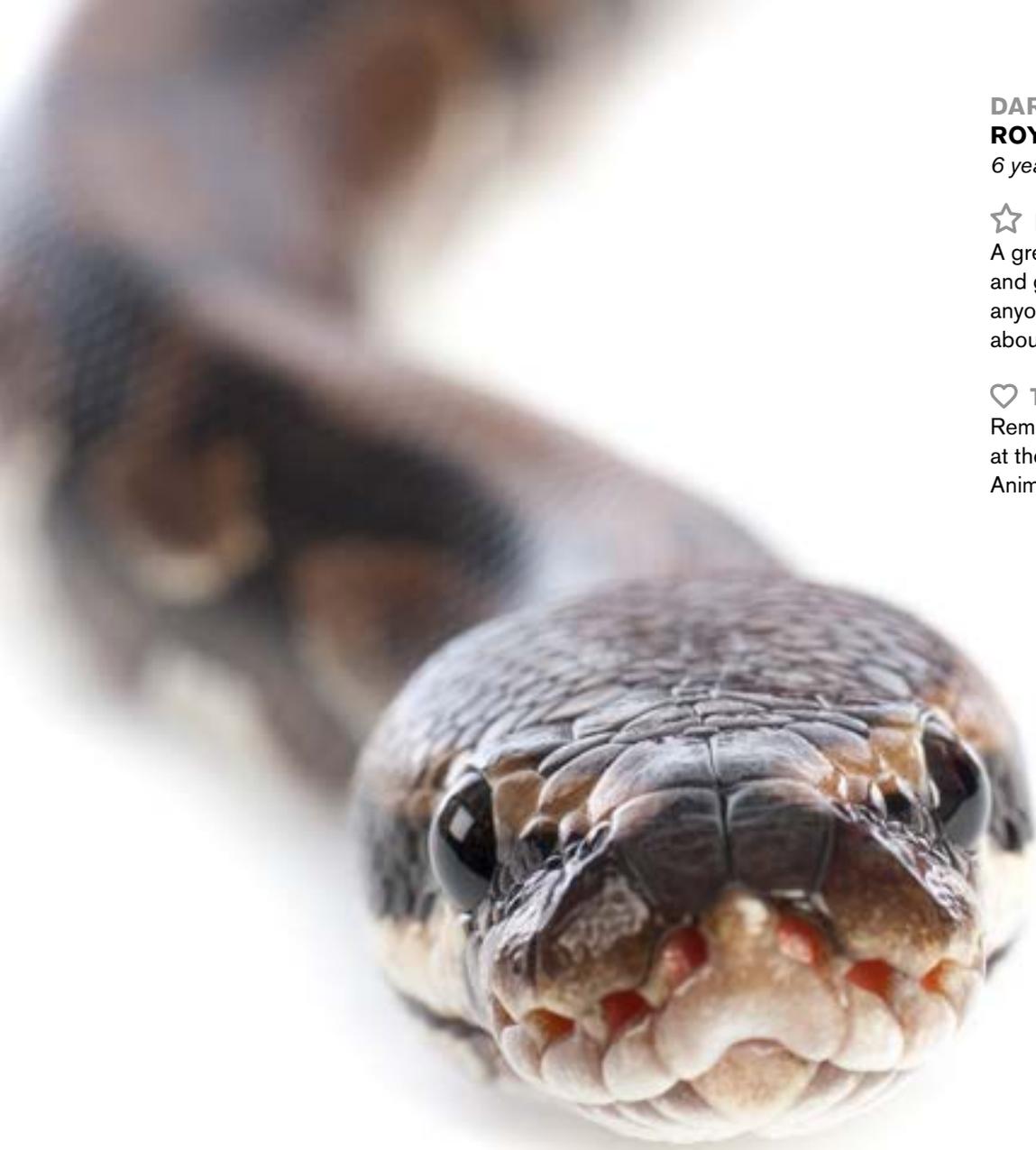
☆ **FUN FACT**

He will do anything for a treat!

♥ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Visited the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals for blood tests and scans due to high heart rate.





**DARWIN
ROYAL PYTHON**

6 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

A great guy, always calm and great at winning over anyone who's a bit nervous about reptiles!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Removal of a retained eyecap at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.

Summary

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Both tutors were very supportive and never made me feel uncomfortable with my lack of knowledge and experience in anaesthesia.

Anaesthesia and analgesia for veterinary nurses online

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Small animal medicine, dermatology, ophthalmology and clinical pathology			
Clinical therapeutics online	Monday 14th January to Sunday 24th February	£725	8
Logical clinical problem solving online	Monday 21st January to Sunday 3rd March	£725	8
Feline neurology online – a problem based approach	Monday 11th February to Sunday 24th March	£725	9
Haematology and cytology online	Monday 25th February to Sunday 7th April	£725	9
Webinar Plus: Feline focus	Monday 4th to Sunday 31st March	£349	10
Webinar Plus: A multidisciplinary approach to urinary tract disorders	Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May	£349	10
Webinar: The challenge of chronic otitis	Friday 3rd May	£50	11
Webinar Plus: Feline endocrinology	Monday 6th May to Sunday 2nd June	£349	11
Ophthalmology online – a problem based approach	Monday 2nd September to Sunday 13th October	£725	12
Webinar Plus: Canine endocrinology	Monday 23rd September to Sunday 20th October	£349	12
Clinical problem solving in small animal neurology online	Monday 30th September to Sunday 10th November	£725	13
Getting the best out of your microscope – the essentials	Tuesday 22nd October	£399	13
Practical endoscopy	Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th December	£949	14

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Emergency care and anaesthesia			
Webinar Plus: Fundamentals of emergency medicine: Part 2	Monday 14th January to Sunday 10th February	£349	18
Webinar Plus: Management of the small animal trauma patient: Part 1	Monday 4th to Sunday 31st March	£349 or £650 for both parts 1 and 2	18
Webinar Plus: Problem-solving in small animal anaesthesia	Monday 3rd to Sunday 30th June	£349	19
Emergency patient online	Monday 16th September to Sunday 27th October	£725	19
Webinar Plus: Management of the small animal trauma patient: Part 2	Monday 4th November to Sunday 1st December	£349 or £650 for both parts 1 and 2	20
Local anaesthetic techniques	Friday 8th November	Vet and nurse team: £998; Vet only: £699; Nurse only: £349	20
Small animal surgery, physiotherapy and dentistry			
Practical physiotherapy for veterinary surgeons and nurses	Thursday 28th and Friday 29th March	Vet and nurse team: £998; Vet only: £649; Nurse only: £399	24
Abdominal surgery – the essentials	Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd May	£949	24
Arthroscopy of the elbow and shoulder	Wednesday 19th June	£699	25
Webinar Plus: Orthopaedic essentials	Monday 2nd to Sunday 29th September	£349	25
Practical skin reconstructive techniques and wound management	Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September	£949	26
Thoracic surgery – theory and techniques	Thursday 5th and Friday 6th September	£1,099	26
Basic internal fixation	Tuesday 10th September	£699	27
Webinar Plus: Soft tissue surgical principles	Monday 30th September to Sunday 27th October	£349	27
Canine dentistry Day 1: The foundations Day 2: Surgical extractions and case discussions	Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October or Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th October	£899	28

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Feline dentistry	Thursday 10th and Friday 11th October	£899	28
Advanced internal fixation	Thursday 7th November	£699	29
Tibial tuberosity advancement	Wednesday 20th November	£899	29
Advanced abdominal surgery, including surgical stapling	Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th November	£1,099	30
Webinar Plus: A multidisciplinary approach to oncologic surgery	Monday 13th January to Sunday 9th February 2020	£349	30
Laparoscopic neutering and beyond	Wednesday 15th January and Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th March 2020, plus a commitment to attend the Royal Free Medical Simulation Centre in between	£2,499	31
Small animal diagnostic imaging			
Small animal veterinary computed tomography online: Head/neck, musculoskeletal and neurological applications	Monday 14th January to Sunday 3rd March	£775	34
Basic echocardiography	Wednesday 23rd January and Wednesday 20th February	£824	34
Abdominal ultrasonography online	Monday 18th February to Sunday 24th March Practical day: Wednesday 22nd May	£625; £374 for the optional scanning day	35
Webinar Plus: Thoracic and abdominal radiology	Wednesday 27th February to Tuesday 26th March	£349	35
Practical abdominal ultrasound scanning days	Wednesday 20th March, Wednesday 3rd April or Wednesday 17th July	£374	36
Basic small animal abdominal ultrasound	Thursday 13th and Friday 14th June or Thursday 11th and Friday 12th July	£824	36
Integrating echocardiography into your clinical practice	Tuesday 24th September	£399	37

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Practical echocardiography scanning days	Wednesday 25th September or Wednesday 2nd October	£374	37
Learn to read radiographs online	Monday 7th October to Sunday 17th November	£725	38
Advanced small animal ultrasound: Finding the small parts	Thursday 31st October and Friday 1st November	£949	38
Equine practice			
Equine radiology online – the forelimb	Monday 21st January to Sunday 3rd March	£725 for one course, £1,399 for two courses or £1,999 for all three	42
Equine radiology online – the hindlimb	Monday 3rd June to Sunday 14th July	£725 for one course, £1,399 for two courses or £1,999 for all three	42
Webinars: Fundamentals of equine practice	Various dates through May, June, September and November	£50 per webinar or buy four and get one free	43
Equine distal limb musculoskeletal ultrasound	Wednesday 26th June	£499	44
Equine radiology online – the head, neck and back	Monday 28th October to Sunday 8th December	£725 for one course, £1,399 for two courses or £1,999 for all three	44
Equine nerve blocks and joint medications	Tuesday 5th November	£599	45
Small mammal and exotic pets			
Webinar Plus: Approach to birds and reptiles in general practice	Monday 21st January to Sunday 17th February	£349	48
Webinar Plus: Backyard poultry problems and solutions	Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May	£349	48

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Rabbits, rodents and ferrets – medicine and surgery online	Monday 7th October to Sunday 17th November	£725	49
Professional skills			
Webinar Plus: Training the trainer – what to do with EMS students?	Monday 25th February to Sunday 24th March	£59	52
Webinar Plus: Euthanasia and bereavement – understanding and supporting your clients, your colleagues and yourself	Monday 29th April to Sunday 26th May	£349	52
Webinar Plus: Building resilience to the challenges and pressures of practice	Monday 3rd to Sunday 30th June	£349	53
CertAVP online induction day	Wednesday 17th July	£49 or free for CertAVP candidates enrolled with the RVC	53
Webinar Plus: Overcoming challenges to communication in practice	Monday 23rd September to Sunday 20th October	£349	54
Webinar Plus: Navigating the CertAVP A module	Monday 4th November to Sunday 1st December	£349 or £59 for RVC CertAVP candidates	54
Veterinary nursing			
Exotic animal nursing online	Monday 11th February to Sunday 24th March	£349	58
Anaesthesia and analgesia for veterinary nurses online	Monday 18th February to Sunday 31st March	£449	58
Practical physiotherapy for veterinary surgeons and nurses	Thursday 28th and Friday 29th March	Vet and nurse team: £998; Nurse only £399; Vet only £649	59
Making sense of being a ‘Registered’ Veterinary Nurse online	Monday 29th April to Sunday 30th June	£489	59
Small mammal nursing online	Monday 3rd June to Sunday 14th July	£349	60
Diagnostic imaging techniques online for nurses	Monday 2nd September to Sunday 24th November	£549	60
Small animal medical nursing online	Monday 9th September to Sunday 20th October	£349	61
Emergency and critical care nursing online	Monday 30th September to Sunday 10th November	£349	61

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Webinar Plus: Nursing oncology patients	Monday 4th November to Sunday 1st December	£249	62
Local anaesthetic techniques	Friday 8th November	Vet and nurse team: £998; Nurse only £349; Vet only £699	62
Webinar Plus: Advanced nutrition for nurses	Monday 13th January to Sunday 9th February 2020	£249	63
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Professional Doctorate programme (VetD)	Intake dates: January, June and September	UK and EU Tuition: £2,130 per annum; International Tuition: £11,690 per annum	79
Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Veterinary Nursing	May 2019 to September 2021	UK students: £6,090; International, Channel Islands and Isle of Man students: £7,630	80



SOPHIE
JACK RUSSELL

10 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Loves water, swimming in the sea and will try and retrieve stones you throw in!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Referred to the RVC's Queen Mother Hospital for Animals for chronic gastroenteritis and vomiting.

How to Apply

Registration forms

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Good practical experience and something for everyone. Not expensive like other CPD courses.

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Practical echocardiography scanning day

NIGEL
LOP EARED CROSS

3 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

Nigel likes to help out when we're cleaning, such as biting the dustpan and brush or spreading hay on the freshly hoovered carpet!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Nigel suffered from *E. cuniculi* as a baby and was saved by the exotics team at the RVC's Beaumont Sainsbury Animal Hospital.



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You may book and pay online at www.rvc.ac.uk/cpd or fill in this registration form.

I wish to register for the following course run by the Royal Veterinary College.

Course title

Date

Fee

Participant information

Title

Forename(s)

Surname

Qualifications (if applicable)

BVA # (for BVA YVN discount on recorded webinars)

Address for correspondence

Postcode

Daytime telephone

Mobile

Fax

Email

Vehicle registration number (if you are attending an onsite course)

Special requirements (e.g. dietary or mobility)

RVC Graduate? (please tick) Yes No Year of graduation:

How did you hear about the course?
(please tick)

BVA Find CPD In Practice IVIS RVC CPD brochure RVC email

RVC website Search Engine (Google/Bing) Social Media (Facebook/Twitter)

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Please turn over to add your payment details.

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We promise to not fill up your inbox and you can ask us to stop at any time.

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Please contact us for further information on onsite and local accommodation.

Telephone: +44 (0)1707 666865

Email: cpd@rvc.ac.uk

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Hawkshead Lane
North Mymms
Hertfordshire
AL9 7TA
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Amount Paid £

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Expiry date

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Invoice to veterinary practice

Veterinary practice name

Veterinary practice address

For office use only

Administrator

Date of receipt

Register Yes/No

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Terms and conditions

Course cancellations may incur a 15% administration fee, up to a maximum of £50. Refunds for cancellations made within 30 days of the course will be at the discretion of the Royal Veterinary College.

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WOODSTOCK (FRONT COVER)

NATIVE PONY

15 years old

☆ **FUN FACT**

He is a cheeky chappie and keeps us on our toes! He is the annoying little brother you love to hate!

♡ **TREATMENT RECEIVED**

Colic and regular check-ups at the RVC's Equine Referral Hospital and the RVC's Equine Practice.

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