# West Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine

Newsletter

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#### **INTRODUCTIONS & FAREWELLS**

#### New Board Executive Director - Trish Holstein

We are pleased to introduce Trish Holstein as our new Executive Director. Trish started with the Board in January. She has over 5 years experience with the WV Board of Physical Therapy where her duties mirror the duties of our Board. Trish has 15 years of administrative/management experience with 11 years of experience with various state agencies and wide spread knowledge of WV policy and guidelines.

#### **Farewell to Carey Fleming**

We would like to say farewell and best wishes to Carey. We appreciate all the hard work and dedication that Carey provided to the Board during her 2 years of service as Executive Director.

#### New Facility Inspector - Mike Leland

We are pleased to introduce Mike Leland as our new Facility Inspector. Mike started with the Board in March and has hit the road running with the facility inspections. Mike has 34 years experience in the education field and 12 years as Store Manager with the McDonalds Corporation.

#### Farewell to Dr. Richard Lechliter

We would like to say farewell and best wishes to Dr. Lechliter.

Dr. Lechliter worked for the Board as a facility inspector for 9 years.

We appreciate Dr. Lechliter's hard work to ensure that all facilities were in compliance with the statutes and rules of the Board.



#### NEW WEBSITE AND DATABASE UPDATE

We are working diligently on our new and improved website and database. We are hoping to have them up and running by early Fall. Below are a few of the features that will be available:

- Online Renewals
  - \* Veterinarian, RVT, CAET, Facility
- \* Online Applications
  - \* Application Status
  - \* Veterinarian, RVT, CAET, Facility
- Online Change of Address
- List of WV Board Approved CE Programs
- \* Downloadable Forms

Although online renewals will be available for 2016, renewal forms can also be downloaded from our website and mailed to the Board office. The Board will be mailing out renewal reminders along with instructions on how to renew online.

#### ANNUAL VETERINARIAN CE AUDITS

In May 2015, we conducted our first random CE audit of 10% of the Veterinarians that renewed their licenses for 2015.

- Required CE Hours
  - Must have 18 WV Board approved CE hours per licensing period.
  - 14 of the 18 CE hours must be scientific.
- All courses must be WV Board approved CE courses
  - Approved courses through other jurisdictions are not automatically approved through WV. Do not assume courses are approved; if you are unsure, please contact the Board.
- Approved CE Programs
  - AVMA accredited colleges of veterinary medicine
  - WV Board approved national veterinary associations
  - AVMA approved official state veterinary associations
  - Registry of Approved Continuing Education (RACE)
  - USDA Accreditation Modules
  - Programs submitted to and approved by the WV Board of Veterinary Medicine along with a \$50.00 fee

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#### CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

It has come to our attention during facility inspections that disposal and security of controlled substances need to be addressed. Below are some DEA guidelines and information that you may find beneficial.

## DISPOSAL OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES DISPOSAL OPTIONS

# OPTION #1 DEA REGISTERED REVERSE DISTRIBUTOR

A complete list of reverse distributors can be found at www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\_disposal/index.html.

#### **OPTION #2**

#### PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

According to DEA Office of Diversion Control under §1307.21 Procedure for Disposing of Controlled Substances:

- ⇒ Any person in possession of any controlled substance and desiring or required to dispose of such substance may request assistance from the Special Agent in Charge of the Administration in the area in which the person is located for authority and instructions to dispose of such substance.
- ⇒ If the person is a registrant, he/she shall list the controlled substance or substances which he/she desire to dispose of on DEA Form 41and submit 3 copies of that form to the Special Agent in Charge of his/her area.
  - ⇒ Karl C. Colder

#### Special Agent in Charge

U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

Washington Field Division (WDO)

800 K. Street N.W. Suite #500

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⇒ **DEA Form 41** can be found at: http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/21cfr\_reports/surrend/41\_form.pdf

#### CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

According to DEA Office of Diversion Control, practitioners are required to follow the Security Requirements under §1301.75 Physical Security Controls for Practitioners.

⇒ Controlled substances listed in Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V shall be stored in a securely locked, substantially constructed cabinet.

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#### **VETERINARIAN'S LICENSED IN 2015**

Kathryne Bucks Sara Hylton Raina PanneeJ **Dustin Burch** Maria Imhof Jeffrey Reiswig Angela Clark Jennifer Jordon Paige Roberts Chelsea Comer Marie Smith Kristen Kerrish Elizabeth Dale Kathleen Kobyra Kelly Stoneburner Shannon DeArmas Rachel Lampley Daylin Taylor **Tracey Decter** Abby Lang Karen Thompson Mirissa Duncil Rachel Lawson **Emily Thornton** Katryna Fleer Rebecca Leap Stephen Treese Julia Gibson Chad Malinak Jessica Welling Erin Hadox Brendan Martin Jennifer Wilson Tanya Hanna Krystal Mincey Alan Younkin Robert Harvey **Brittany Ours** 

#### **REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICANS LICENSED IN 2015**

Samantha Betler Jessica Lopez Crystal Sarcopski

Quintessence Christian Kimberly Nobles Carley Triplett

Samantha Glaspell Jessica Radcliff Katelyn Vincent

#### **CERTIFIED EUTHANASIA TECHNICANS LICENSED IN 2015**

Robert Beckner Joshua McMullen Kelley Reel

Candice Fogle Jessy Merrifield Victor Reynolds

Courtney Gibson Daniel Miller Elizabeth Sampson

Tyler Masters Michael Nayper

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#### RECENT DISCIPLINARY ACTION

#### A. Consent Agreement July 5, 2014

**VIOLATION:** Failed to provide the proper care and treatment of the patient by failing to perform an adequate and complete physical examination and failed to perform any diagnostic assessments prior to administration of a steroid. There is also no evidence of proper recordkeeping regarding this case.

**PENALTY:** Reprimanded. Complete 12 hours of Board approved CE's which includes 6 hours in feline internal medicine, 3 hours in pharmacology, and 3 hours in recordkeeping practices. Reimbursement for the cost of proceedings including but not limited to the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board.

#### B. Consent Agreement August 4, 2014

VIOLATION: Failed to provide the proper care and treatment of the patient by dosing a steroid at a level exceeding recommended dose for the indication including a failure to taper the dose administered over the 17 day period that the dog was treated, failure to monitor the dog for weight loss and general condition, and failure to keep accurate records.

**PENALTY:** Reprimanded. Complete 9 hours of Board approved CE 's which includes 3 hours in orthopedic medicine, 3 hours in pharmacology and 3 hours in recordkeeping practices. Reimbursement for the cost of proceedings including but not limited to the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board. Pay a fine of \$1000 dollars.

#### C. Consent Agreement September 18, 2014

**VIOLATION:** Failed to maintain proper medical records for patients.

**PENALTY:** Reprimanded. License on probation for 1 year. Complete 3 hours of Board approved CE's in medical record keeping practice. Reimbursement for the cost of proceedings including but not limited to the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board.

#### D. Consent Agreement October 11, 2014

**VIOLATION:** Failed to provide the proper care and treatment of the patient by failing to perform adequate and complete physical examination including listening to the heart and lungs.

**PENALTY:** Reprimanded. Complete 6 hours of Board approved CE's in cardiology. Reimbursement for the cost of proceedings including but not limited to the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board.

#### E. Consent Agreement December 11, 2014

VIOLATION: Violated the standards of care by extracting canine tooth without any supportive evidence to make such a determination or diagnosis, by fracturing the jaw when attempting the extraction and failing to take x-rays in order to treat the fractured jaw and by failing to place the diagnosis of feline resorptive disease or any other diagnosis within the patient's medical records.

**PENALTY:** Reprimanded. Reimbursement for the cost of proceedings including but not limited to the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board. Due to prior completion of 12 CE hours in veterinary dentistry and a purchase of a x-ray dental machine, these requirements weren't included in the Final Order.

#### F. Consent Agreement January 1, 2015

**VIOLATION:** Unprofessional conduct in regards to care and treatment of an animal.

**PENALTY:** Suspended license for the period of 90 days. Reimbursement for the cost of proceedings including but not limited to the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board.

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