

BCVTA NEWSLETTER

September 2025

BCVTA Board Meeting Highlights

September 8, 2025

- Reviewed schedule for RVT Learning Series
 - Board members signed up to assist with moderating sessions
- Road to Regulation
 - Plan to benchmark models for regulation of RVTs in other jurisdictions
 - Discuss presentation time for Hill & Knowlton at in-person October Board meeting
 - Review RVT Month communications plan
- 2025 Board Strategic Planning Retreat
 - Review Agenda and discuss any changes needed
 - Discuss agenda for October Board meeting
- Reviewed and Discussed [Letter from Canadian Veterinary Technology/Technician Provincial Associations](#)
- Reviewed Q1 Financials
- Reviewed and discussed 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Audit by MNP
 - Report to be emailed to members to review
- Discussed opportunity to attend SBCV Conference

BCVTA RVT Learning Series

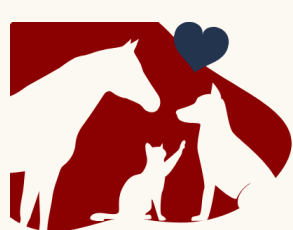
- Don't Miss Out!

The BCVTA RVT Learning Series starts on September 17, 2025 with a session on pain management! The series includes monthly webinar sessions from September to February, plus 4 weekly webinars in the month of October.

Register for individual sessions or all 11 webinars for a discounted rate!

Check out details of each session here:

<https://www.bcvta.com/rvt-learning-series-fall-2025/>



2025-2026

RVT LEARNING SERIES

Sept 17, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Pharmacological Review of Pain Management: Pain Receptors, Opioids, and Non-Opioids Amanda Barker, RVT, CUPP	Sept 24, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Crash Course: A Practical Guide to Veterinary CPR Amanda Barker, RVT, CUPP
Oct 8, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Anaesthesia for Compromised Patients Marcia Fletcher, BVMS, Dip VLA (Distinction), VTS (Anaesthesia & Analgesia)	Oct 15, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Introduction to Equine Anesthesia Marcia Fletcher, BVMS, Dip VLA (Distinction), VTS (Anaesthesia & Analgesia)
Oct 22, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Seighs, Bells, Bills, and Budgets: Surviving the Season Jillian Carr Steady Gait Financial Planning	Oct 29, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Byte-Sized Medicine: Making Sense of AI in Veterinary Practice Dr. Kate Surguine, BS, MS, BVMS, MRCVS
Nov 5, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Common Bloodwork Abnormalities in Geriatrics Dr. Lauren Solomon, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)	Nov 19, 2025 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Bandaging 101 Brian Coleman, CVT Brian's Bandages
Dec 3, 2025 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	The Science of Stress (and What to Do About It) Angie Arora, MSW, RSW WDDC	Jan 21, 2026 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	The Role of Nutrition: Critical Intersection Between Nutrition and Physical Rehabilitation in Dogs Cynthia Mercier, RVT, CCSP ROYAL CANIN
Feb 18, 2026 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Anesthetic Monitoring for Dentistry Jan Burke, RVT, VTS (AAE)	Eickemeijer	

Cost:
BCVTA RVT, Non-Resident RVT: \$30/session or \$275/series
BCVTA Student, Non-Practicing, Retired: \$20/session or \$150/series
Non-Members: \$35/session or \$300/series

For more info:
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What's Happening During RVT Month?

Free Online CE:

- Virbac: "Tactics to encourage successful nutrition conversations in veterinary practice" presented by Shawna Morrow, BSChI, MSc
 - October 7, 2025 4:00PM PST [Register here for Oct 7th](#)
 - October 9, 2025 6:00PM PST [Register here for Oct 9th](#)
- CommuniVet RVT PWR: Know Your Power event
 - October 25, 2025. [Register here!](#)

Free in-person CE:

- Matters of the Heart:
 - October 16th
 - Phases Veterinary Emergency Hospital, Kamloops, BC. [Register here.](#)

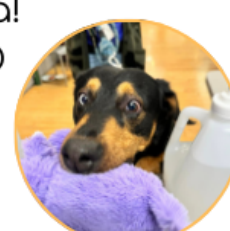
Prizes and Giveaways:

- BCVTA has partnered with many of our industry sponsors to prepare gift packages for RVT Month. Keep an eye on your email for information on how to win!

The BCVTA will continue to post RVT Month activities in the BCVTA Member Support Facebook Group and in the October Newsletter!



Community
Veterinary
Outreach



This October, let's get active together to continue to bring accessible care to people and pets experiencing homelessness across Canada! Together, we can travel 8,889 km (this distance between all our CVO locations coast-to-coast) and raise \$100,000.

<https://www.vetoutreach.org/cross-canada-community-challenge-2025>

Confused about the difference between CE "Activities"? You're not alone! CE submissions are often submitted without the education activity selected or with the incorrect activity selected.

Here is an easy way to know the difference:

1. "Education Activities" focus on structured learning experiences that enhance a professional's knowledge and skills within their field. These activities are usually instructor-led, content-rich, and designed with clear learning objectives. These activities are typically verified through certificates of completion, attendance logs, or transcripts, and must be relevant to the participant's area of professional practice.
 - Examples of Education Activities include veterinary technology program graduation, successful completion of a specialty certification, webinars, workshops, and conferences.
2. "Outreach and Volunteer Activities" emphasize community engagement and the application of professional expertise outside the traditional work environment. These experiences not only contribute to the public good but also enhance communication, leadership, and real-world application of professional knowledge.
 - Examples of Outreach/Volunteer Activities include BCVTA committee member service, volunteer work with animal welfare organizations such as SPCA, and participation with animal wellness projects such as the Canadian Animal Assistance Team, Veterinarians Without Borders, Spay Neuter Cruiser.

For more information on assessing continuing education, please see the [BCVTA website](#). If you have questions about an activity not listed on the BCVTA page, please email executivedirector@bcvta.com.

Understanding CE Submissions



Webinars



Conferences



Volunteering

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Society for BC Veterinarians invites RVTs to Lunch and Learn

The Society for BC Veterinarians (SBCV) 2025 Fall Conference and Trade Show is coming up in November. As part of the program, Dr. James Sudhoff, TRU Assistant Teaching Professor, is presenting a session about "Delegation of Care to RVTs" on Sunday, November 9, from 1:30 pm - 3:30 PM.

BCVTA RVTs are invited to join this session for a special ticket price of \$100.00.

For more information, check out the [Program](#) or [Register](#) today!

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Upcoming CE Events

- Oct 18-21 CanWest Veterinary Conference
- Oct 31-Nov 1 VET 2025 Veterinary Education Today Conference and Medical Exposition
- Nov 6-7 SAVT Annual Conference
- Nov 7-9 SVBC Fall Conference
- Dec 6-9 AAETV 21st Annual Convention
- Jan 17-21, 2026 VMX Orlando

[Check out the website for more continuing education opportunities!](#)

[Keep an eye on the BCVTA Job Board for career opportunities!](#)



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