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2026 Wage and Compensation Survey

- All 7 provincial associations are participating in the survey.
- Reports will include unique data and stats for BC as well as collective information on RVTs across Canada.
- This will be a groundbreaking survey and will help all RVTs.

Accepted 2025-2028 Strategic Plan

- BoD officially accepted the draft 2025-2028 strategic plan.
- Highlights of the plan include continued dedication to move Regulation of RVTs forward, expanding Board and association governance knowledge and financial literacy, and a commitment to better understanding our members and their needs.

STUDENT MEMBER

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SPEAKERS

Amanda Barker
RVT, CVPP

Amanda Brackett
RVT

Ash Raymond
RVT, SRA,
BSc, MSc

Emily Van Beelen
RVT

James Rodgers
ED, Mission
Pawsible

Jennie Tait
VTS
(Dermatology)

Lucie Langevin-Neil
CoVet Coaching

Mary Berg
Beyond the
Crown

Monica McLeod
RVT, VTS
(ECC)

HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday May 21st	Friday May 22nd	Saturday May 23rd
Welcome Reception	Keynote: The Path Forward: Navigating Change with Confidence	Hands Free Radiology Workshop
Pheedloop Gamification begins!	RECOVER CPR	BCVTA AGM
RVT Business Fair	AVP Appreciation and Awards Dinner	Don't Worry Be Hoppy: Rabbit Anesthesia

Don't miss the sponsor trade show Friday May 22nd from 4pm-7pm

... and much more!

Join us May 21-23, 2026 in Richmond, BC

Sessions and additional information about the 2026 conference will be available [here](#)

Canadian Animal Blood Bank is Coming to BC!

The Canadian Animal Blood Bank saves dogs' lives. Working with pets and people across the country, CABB collects, processes and distributes high-quality canine blood products to veterinary hospitals and clinics; educates industry professionals about transfusion medicine; and increases public awareness about animal blood banking.

We are excited to be expanding into Vancouver in 2026. Connect with us at bc@canadiananimalbloodbank.ca for more information about products, job postings, volunteer opportunities, continuing education, and how you can get involved with local recruitment efforts.

Join the pack and help us make a difference for dogs!

RVT LEARNING SERIES SEPTEMBER 2025 – FEBRUARY 2026

- **"The Role of Nutrition: Critical Intersection Between Nutrition and Physical Rehabilitation in Dogs"** with Cynthia Mercier, RVT, CCRP
Jan 21st 7:00PM - [Register here!](#)
- **"Anesthetic Monitoring for Dentistry"** with Jen Burke, RVT, VTS (A&A)
Feb 18th 7:00PM - [Register here!](#)
- **"CE Essentials: Understanding CE Records and Requirements"** Take the guesswork out of your CE tracking! In this free webinar, you will learn how to manage your CE record, avoid common pitfalls, and make sure your credits are counted, every time. This session will be free for members and participants will be eligible for 1 continuing education credit.
April 1st 7:00PM - Registration will be open at the end of January.

Award Nominations Open Soon!

Get ready, nominations for the 2026 BCVTA Awards open this March! Consider whether you or someone you know would be an outstanding candidate for one of these categories:

RVT of the Year
This prestigious recognition seeks to highlight individuals who go beyond the routine responsibilities, demonstrating a commitment to professional development, innovation, and leadership within the veterinary technology field.

Mentorship Award
The Mentorship Award is designed to celebrate the exceptional contributions of an individual who goes above and beyond in the role of a mentor and serves as a shining example for both veterinary technology students and fellow Registered Veterinary Technicians (RVTs). This accolade acknowledges not only their dedication to guiding others but also their embodiment of qualities that inspire and uplift those around them.

Practice of the Year
The Practice of the Year award recognizes a veterinary facility that aligns with the BCVTA's vision, striving for every animal care facility in BC to employ and fully utilize Registered Veterinary Technologists (RVTs). The winning practice actively fosters the development of RVTs by establishing an environment that not only supports growth and continuous learning but also upholds the highest standards of professional respect for the veterinary technology profession.

Interested in helping choose this year's award recipients? Join the Awards Working Group! This group meets twice a year in January and February to review nominations and select award winners. If you'd like to be involved, please contact us at executivedirector@bcvta.com.

Upcoming CE Events

- Jan 15-17, 2026 Western Canadian Association of Bovine Practitioners Conference
- Jan 17-21, 2026 VMX Orlando
- Feb 15-18, 2026 WVC Las Vegas
- Feb 26-28, 2026 OAVT Conference

Check out the website for more continuing education opportunities!

Keep an eye on the BCVTA Job Board for career opportunities!
Don't forget to update or add yourself to the [locum directory](#)!