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## Notes from the MCVMA President

Hello members,

What a summer it has been! I won't dwell on all of the obstacles many of our communities have faced, but instead will try to look forward to where we are going this Fall. We will not be having an in-person dinner this month (and very unlikely that we will have one in November), but we will continue to look for speakers who are willing to provide video lectures...please let us know if there's anyone you want to hear from or a specific topic you'd like to hear about.

As a brief update on what's happening in Marin county, despite some hopes that we would move from Tier 1 to Tier 2 (in the State's 4-tier framework for loosening covid-19 related restrictions), a last minute decision was made to maintain at Tier 1. This is a very volatile situation and they are expecting to provide an updated reopening timeline in the next week.

Veterinary clinics are considered an essential business and have been permitted to remain open with minimal restrictions on our in-person services. Many of us, however, have chosen to implement our own protocols that minimize risks to our clients and staff, while still providing the essential care for our patients. It is my understanding that there are still minimal restrictions on how we chose to operate our facilities as long as some general guidelines are followed (i.e. mask wearing, physical distancing when feasible, 50% building occupancy, etc). That being said, every business in Marin County is expected to have a Site-Specific Protection Plan (SPP) that outlines each business' risks and protocols.

Below is a link to the Dept of Health and Human Services website on:  
Establishing a SPP

**<https://marinrecovers.com/documents/covid-19-site-specific-protection-plan-spp/>**

Guidelines for Businesses  
**<https://marinrecovers.com/retail/>**

I hope everyone remains safe, continues physical distancing and is hanging in there through the smoke, the heat, and the unexpected circumstances we have all had to face! I look forward to seeing you all on the other side of this.

Sincerely,  
Erin Smythe-Morey  
MCVMA President  
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Fed up with all of the Covid restrictions, Merry finally destroyed his mask, as Pippin looked on with fear.



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## Classifieds



### **Part time Veterinary Assistant Job: Location Fairfax CA**

We are looking for a compassionate veterinary assistant to join our organization, this may turn into a full time position. The veterinary assistant will be responsible for performing administrative tasks, assisting veterinary staff in examining and monitoring animal patients, and maintaining clean and sanitary conditions in exam and operating rooms. The ideal candidate will be willing to learn new skills and develop their talents as an assistant. Must have a passion for caring for animals, and excellent customer-service skills as the veterinary assistant will work directly with animal owners.

#### Veterinary Assistant Requirements and Qualifications

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Certification a plus; Associate's degree or course credit in veterinary technology or animal science from an American Veterinary Medical Association-accredited program a plus
- One (1) year previous experience in animal care or in a clinic preferred
- Able to multitask, prioritize, and manage time efficiently
- Proficient computer skills, including Microsoft Office Suite or apple equivalent (Word/pages, PowerPoint/keynote and Excel/numbers)
- Basic understanding of animal behavior and health care
- Passion for working with animals and their owners
- Interpersonal communication skills to communicate with owners and other veterinary staff
- Ability to prioritize and manage numerous different patient needs at one time
- Attention to detail in order to maintain accurate patient records
- Physical ability to restrain larger pets when necessary and lift 50 lb

West Marin Pet Hospital believes in providing gentle care, high quality medicine and surgery and promoting the bond between animals and their people. Gentle care means taking time to learn animal behavior and cues and recognizing the needs of every animal on an individual basis.

Email resumes to : shayredfield@gmail.com

**Mill Valley Pet Clinic** is a privately owned, thriving practice serving Southern Marin County. We're looking to add another enthusiastic veterinarian to our collaborative team!

Our beautiful, updated hospital is well-equipped with an in-house lab suite, digital radiology, digital dental radiology, large surgical suite, dental equipment, and much more! We are a general practice with focus on Preventive Care and a special interest in Dentistry. We also have a Board Certified Surgeon on staff.

We are located in Mill Valley, California just minutes from San Francisco, and a short drive to the Napa Valley.

We take the health and well-being of our employees seriously, offering flexible working conditions and encouraging a well-rounded work/life balance. Our employees' quality of life outside of the practice is something we strongly value and support. We offer a great compensation package, including competitive salary, benefits, CE allowance, reimbursement of membership dues, and PTO.

For a confidential discussion about this opportunity, please send resume to Nicole at **NicoleMVPetClinic@gmail.com**.

We are a fast paced, growing animal hospital looking for a **full time Client Care Specialist (Receptionist)**.

Some veterinary knowledge is preferred, but we are willing to teach the right individual who is a quick study. We are looking for an individual who is computer literate, loves people and animals, is able to handle multiple phone lines and is a person who works hard to improve the lives of our clients and patients!! Full time employment includes full medical coverage, 401K, vision, life, dental, 2 weeks paid vacation and CE allowance. Full job description provided upon request.

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The qualifications you'll need:

- California RVT license
- Associate's degree in Veterinary Technology or equivalent from an AVMA-accredited program
- 3+ years of position-related experience; supervisor experience desirable
- Ability to work holidays, weekends, and on call as required

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**VCA Tamalpais Animal Hospital** located in the heart of the Bay Area is seeking an experienced, seasoned, personable veterinarian to work in a busy small animal practice in Mill Valley.

The hospital has been established for 60 years and has been newly remodeled. We service a very affluent clientele, allowing us to practice a very high level of medicine. We are well equipped with digital radiography, two dental suites, in-house lab, ultrasound, surgical laser and more.

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As a member of the VCA family, your passion for medicine and compassion for pets and people is matched with a commitment to your professional growth. Among the reasons to consider joining VCA are:

- Network of 4,500+ doctors, including more than 600 Specialists.
  - Largest provider of Private Practice Internships and Residencies in the U.S.
  - WOOF University, offering abundant CE for Doctors and Staff.
  - Robust Clinical Studies program.
  - Opportunities to give back through strong Shelter partnerships and VCA Charities.
- We offer competitive compensation and great benefits for eligible employees, including medical/dental, generous personal pet care discounts and more!

Contact Chris Jones: 213-440-7808, [chris.jones@vca.com](mailto:chris.jones@vca.com)

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**Diana K Phillips, DVM** is available for **small animal relief work**.  
Please contact me at [DKPDVM@mac.com](mailto:DKPDVM@mac.com) or call/text 415-328-7707.

**VCA Madera Pet Hospital** is seeking an **Associate Veterinarian** to join our 9-doctor practice in Corte Madera, California. Located in the beautiful North Bay, Corte Madera is a short distance away from San Francisco, the rugged Northern California coastline, and the Coastal Mountain Range.

We are open 7 days per week with extended hours allowing for continuity of care for your patients. We have a board certified internal medicine specialist and surgeon on staff, and a well-equipped hospital with electronic medical records, digital radiography, digital dental radiography, blood analyzers, endoscopes, and ultrasound. This is a great opportunity to build a long-term client base and provide full-service care for pets. Mentoring available for enthusiastic new graduates; both experienced doctors and confident new grad are welcome to apply.

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### The California Licensing Curriculum - Virtual

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#### The California Licensing Curriculum

(CLC) is a 3-day virtual course offering a total of 27 CEU hours designed to meet the requirements of the California Curriculum for qualified veterinarians to obtain a permanent veterinary license in California without taking the state board examination. Veterinarians who wish to become licensed in California under the Business and Professions Code



sections **4848(b)** or **4848(c)** are required to attend the entire course in order to receive a certificate of completion. Attendees are required to log in each morning to verify full attendance of the course. Topics covered in the CLC course are listed in **California's Code of Regulations**. California-licensed veterinarians who would like to attend the CLC course for continuing education credit are also welcome! The curricula will focus on small and large animal diseases consistent with the current proportion of small and large animal veterinarians practicing in the state.

More info: <https://bit.ly/3m8Fhcw>

### CVMA Fall Seminar To-Go

Online

October 9-11, 2020

Get your CE delivered to the safety and comfort of your home or wherever you have an internet connection. Due to COVID-19 public gathering restrictions, we are presenting the CVMA Fall Seminar online – live and interactive. We are bringing DVMs three half-day sessions of thought-provoking information on radiology and dermatology and two half-day sessions for technicians on pain management and anesthesia. DVMs can earn up to 12 CEUs and technicians can earn up to eight CEUs.

More info: <https://bit.ly/2ZpXE2Z>

## Sexual Harassment Education and Training

Online Seminar

**Tuesday, October 13, 2020**

Non-supervisors: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Supervisors: 12:00 PM – 2:15 PM

**Wednesday, October 21, 2020**

Non-supervisors: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM, Supervisors: 5:00 PM – 7:15 PM

California law requires employers with five or more employees to provide sexual harassment education and training for all **employees by January 1, 2021**. This online seminar will provide the requisite for one hour of training for non-supervisory employees and two-hour training for supervisory employees.

More info: <https://bit.ly/32CLgit>



## Livestock Antimicrobial Stewardship

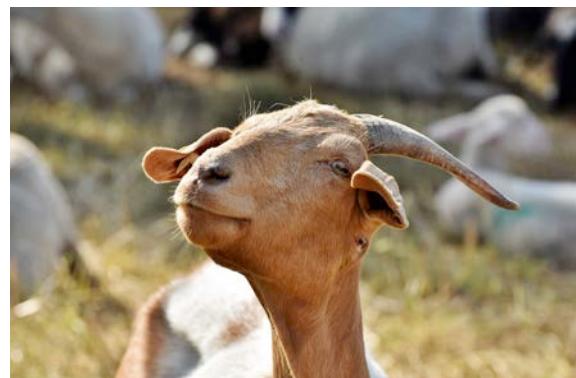
Online Seminar

**Wednesday, November 4, 2020 | 3:00 PM – 4:15 PM**

The CDFA's Antimicrobial Use and Stewardship team will cover concepts veterinarians should consider for the judicious use of antimicrobials in livestock. This presentation features stewardship best management practices, research-based resources for the proper use of medically important antimicrobial drugs. This course fulfills the continuing education antimicrobial stewardship requirement for California license renewal.

This course qualifies for 1.5 hours of interactive learning.

More info: <https://bit.ly/3kfpd7l>



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