

2024 CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Surgery

Christopher Monarski, DVM, DACVS-SA
Elizabeth Stewart, DVM, MS, DACVS-SA
Bianca Alva, DVM -Practice Limited to Surgery
Tiffany Johnson, DVM -Practice Limited to Surgery
Amy Sheil, DVM (Surgical Resident)
Sara Pallay, DVM (Surgical Resident)

Internal Medicine

Melissa Moyer, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)
Kirstin Keany, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)
Allie Wingert, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)

24-Hour Emergency & Critical Care Medicine

Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC
Alexis McLaine, DVM, DACVECC
Brian A. Sessink, DVM
Andrew Lenius, DVM
Kristi Burns, DVM
Ben Ulrich, DVM
Whitney Walker, DVM
Billie Ciotti, DVM

Neurology

Tessa Meland, DVM, DACVIM (Neurology)

Oncology

Mark Jeon, DVM, DACVIM (Oncology)
Alyssa Strumpf, DVM, DACVIM -Practice Limited to Oncology

Diagnostic Imaging

Medical Director

Christopher Monarski, DVM, DACVS-SA

Hospital Director

Katherine Vasquez, CVT

Referral Director

Stephani Rhodes



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All lectures will be in Person as well as Virtual with the exception of **CPR lectures**, they will only be presented in Person— you will receive separate flyers for each CE with registration links.

6:30 pm – Dinner | 7:00 pm – Lecture

Approved for CE Credits by Arizona Academy of Veterinary Practice

Cost - 1 New Child's Toy of any value. All toys will be donated to Toys for Tots at the end of the year.

Thursday February 1st – Scottsdale - 1.5hrs, CPR

Presented By: Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC - CPR/Scottsdale

Thursday February 8th - ARECA, 2 hrs total - 1 hr/speaker Small Animal Wound Management

Presented By: Elizabeth Stewart, DVM, DACV-SA
Description: A review of wound management starting at initial veterinary evaluation and covering basic management techniques, possible complications and advanced wound care options for complex cases.

Antimicrobial Resistance

Presented By: Amy Sheil, DVM - Surgical Resident
Description: Updates on diagnosis, hospital protocol, and treatment for management of patients with MDR wounds and infections.

Thursday March 7th - ARECA - 1 hr Proteinuria

Presented By: Kirstin Keany, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)
Description: This lecture covers the etiology and treatment of proteinuria in cats and dogs. After a brief review of kidney anatomy, we will discuss how to define and diagnosis proteinuria, as well as causes, clinical signs, treatment, complications, monitoring and prognosis of proteinuria. We will discuss in detail the use of angiotensin receptor blockers (telmisartan) versus angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors (enalapril, benazepril).

Thursday April 11th - ARECA, 2 hrs total - 1 hr/speaker Parathyroid Tumors

Presented By: Bianca Alva, DVM - Practice Limited to Surgery
Description: Review of history, diagnosis, anatomy and treatment in dogs and cats. We will discuss testing that can be performed to further differentiate hypercalcemia prior to surgical management.

Apocrine Gland Anal Sac Adenocarcinoma in Dogs & Cats

Presented By: Tiffany Johnson, DVM - Practice Limited to Surgery
Description: Overview on the disease process/clinical presentation in dogs and cats, diagnosis and treatment options including potential surgical complications and postoperative care.

Wednesday May 1st - Mesa/Holiday Inn – 1.5 hrs, CPR

Presented By: Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC - CPR

Wednesday May 29th - ARECA, 2 hrs total - 1 hr/speaker Nutritional Support: When, Where and How - Nutritional Support for the Critically Ill Patient

Presented By: Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC
Description: An overview of nutritional support options will be presented. This will include when to initiate support, how nutritional support can be provided, complications of nutrition as well as brief discussion of parenteral options. This review will be primarily aimed towards initial management and chronic nutritional management will not be discussed.

Canine Parvovirus - Young dogs, new tricks to treat?

Presented By: Alexis McLaine, DVM, DACVECC
Description: An overview of the disease, treatment options and new therapies available will be presented. This presentation is meant to review what you already think you know about parvovirus as well as provide up-to-date information about new treatment options and a recent literature review.

Thursday July 11th - ARECA, 2 hrs total - 1 hr/speaker Updates in Veterinary Oncology: Diagnostics and Treatments for the General Practitioner Part 1 & 2

Presented By: Mark Jeon, DVM, DACVIM (Oncology)
Presented By: Alyssa Strumpf, DVM, Practice Limited to Oncology
Description: These two hours will provide an overview of recent advances in veterinary oncology. We will discuss new cancer treatments and diagnostics including the use of early cancer detection tests such as Nu.Q and TedDX. We will also provide a review of helpful diagnostics that can be implemented for the most common tumors and have a discussion on medications such as Laverdia for canine lymphoma along with an oncologist's take on Stelfonta, the injectable treatment for canine metastatic tumors.

Wednesday August 8th - ARECA - 1.5 hrs Seizures and how to treat them: For the general practitioner

Presented By: Tessa Meland, DVM, DACVIM (Neurology)
Description: This CE will focus on reviewing seizures in dogs (although we will touch upon cats as well). We will discuss causes of seizures in our patients. We will also go over the commonly used anti-epileptic drugs (AEDs) for maintenance and in emergency settings. The goal is to get you more comfortable with treating this common neurologic symptom that you are sure to see in every day practice.

Thursday August 21st – TBD 1.5 hrs, CPR

Presented By: Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC - CPR

Thursday October 10th - Mesa/Holiday Inn - 1.5 hrs, CPR

Presented By: Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC - CPR

Thursday November 7th - ARECA, 2 hrs total - 1 hr/speaker Feline Hyperthyroidism

Presented By: Melissa Moyer, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)
Description: I will review hyperthyroidism which is a common condition in our feline companions. We will cover the disease process as well as treatment options including medications, diet and radioactive iodine therapy and indications for each of these treatments.

Navigating Renal Realms: Insights and Innovations in Canine and Feline Chronic Kidney Disease

Presented By: Allie Wingert, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)
Description: This will be a comprehensive update on the latest advancements, diagnostic approaches, and treatment strategies in the realm of chronic kidney disease. Explore recent research findings, diagnostic breakthroughs, and novel treatment modalities that are reshaping our approach to managing renal health in our four-legged friends. We will discuss the latest advancements to elevate your veterinary practice and enhance the well-being of your canine and feline patients.

QUESTIONS? Contact Stephani Rhodes - Stephani.Rhodes@vca.com