Arkansas Veterinary Medical Association



ArVMA's mission is to <u>improve</u> animal and human health, and the environment, by <u>protecting</u> and <u>advancing</u> the veterinary medical profession.

JUST AROUND THE CORNER

ARKANSAS WINTER MEETING

The winter meeting is just about a month away.

At this meeting, please be prepared to vote on the slated nominees for the executive board (listed below).

Please also be prepared to vote on the changes to the bylaws (posted on https://www.arkvetmed.org/)

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING

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SLATE OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

Officers Immediate Past President - Lindy O'Neal 2025-2026 President - Brennan Pitard 2025-2026 President Elect - Sarah Shedenhelm 2025-2026 Vice President - Kristie Coley 2025-2026 Secretary Treasurer - Bridger Smithers 2025-2026 (or 2029 if bylaws pass)

SLATE OF EXECUTIVE BORD

Board of Trustees Legislative Liasson - Paul Jenkins Trustee, District I - Miranda Anthony Alt. Trustee, District I - OPEN Trustee, District II - Rob Conner Alt. Trustee, District II - OPEN Trustee, District III - Amy Laws Alt. Trustee, District III - LeeAnn Pack Trustee, District IV - Matthew Singer Alt. Trustee, District IV - OPEN Trustee, District V - Rene' LaVergne Alt. Trustee, District V - Ashley Mounts Trustee, District VI - Meghan Harrison Alt. Trustee, District VI - Greg Taylor Trustee, District VII - Josh Moffett Alt. Trustee, District VII - Rocky Lindsey Trustee, District VIII - Teresa Durham Alt. Trustee, District VIII- OPEN

SLATE OF EXECUTIVE BOARD AVMA Representatives

AVMA Delegate - Lindy O'Neal (term completes in 2026)

AVMA Alt. Delegate - Kate Williams

LEGISLATIVE LOOK-UP: https://districtfinder.youraedi.com/

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

The ArVMA legislative committee has been collaborating with legislators to work on legislation to support the rural and emergency veterinary work force. Your board is in support of this legislation.

TELEMEDICINE BILL-WORKIN PROGRESS

In an emergency or urgent situation, a licensed veterinarian may provide veterinary telemedicine without previously establishing a VCPR if the licensed veterinarian establishes a VCPR within (7) days for companion animals and (21) days for livestock.

Note: The definitions of companion animals and livestock are those defined by USDA/ APHIS.

EMERGENCY BILL - WORK IN PROGRESS

When utilizing indirect supervision, a veterinarian may authorize a veterinary technician, veterinary technologist, or technician specialist to go to a location other than the location of the supervisor veterinarian to provide services based on an emergency call for an animal patient.

Note: The scope of practice of each technician level will be referenced in the statue.

WINTER MEETING SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE - FEBRUARY 7-9, 2025 SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 7	
7:00 a.m 5:00 p.m. 7:00 a.m 5:45 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m 5:45 p.m.	REGISTRATION EXHIBIT HALL OPEN CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - Sponsored by Lyon College of Veterinary Medicine COMPANION ANIMAL LARGE ANIMAL PRACTICE MANAGEMENT DEA & STATE REGULATORY COMPLAINCE USDA VETERINARY ACCREDITATION
12:00 p.m 1:15 p.m. 1:15 p.m 1:45 p.m. 1:45 p.m 3:40 p.m. 6:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.	BUSINESS LUNCHEON EXHIBIT HALL APPRECIATION W/PRIZE DRAWINGS POULTRY LSU RECEPTION
SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 8 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m 3:00 p.m. 7:00 a.m 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m 5:45 p.m.	PAST PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST EXHIBIT HALL OPEN REGISTRATION COMPANION ANIMAL LARGE ANIMAL EQUINE
8:00 a.m 6:00 p.m. Noon - 1:15 p.m. 1:15 p.m 1:45 p.m. 6:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.	TECHNICIAN (CVT)/ASSISTANT AWARDS LUNCHEON EXHIBIT HALL APPRECIATION W/PRIZE DRAWINGS A-STATE COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE RECEPTION
Sunday - FEBRUARY 9 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m 7:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m Noon	COFFEE & PASTRIES CHRISTIAN VETERINARY MISSION SERVICE COMPANION ANIMAL LARGE ANIMAL