# THE MAGIC OF EQUINE PRACTICE

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70th Annual AAEP Convention & Trade Show







Cloaked within your reflection is the wizardry to apply science and intuition to decipher subtle clues, unravel medical mysteries and deliver the healing touch. Embark on a quest to level up your diagnostic and curative powers by gathering with the horse doctor community in Orlando for the **AAEP's 70th Annual Convention**.

Acquire new clinical approaches adaptive of evolving care and technology from experts in the field. Discover innovations to facilitate practice growth and success among nearly 300 trade show exhibitors. Elevate your inner circle at daily social opportunities for impactful guidance, support, and camaraderie.

As equine veterinary medicine coalesces around a new vision for its future, embrace the magic of learning to unleash your innate potential and manifest the career you desire.





### **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:**

Live Your Whole Life

### Rev. F. Richard Lesser, DVM, MDiv



Equine veterinarians are among the best and brightest: highly educated problem solvers with a strong service ethic and care for the welfare of the horse and colleagues. Unfortunately, it is easy to anchor your happiness to being appreci-

ated for the service you provide, which is a recipe for eventual unhappiness.

During a relatable keynote address rooted in short stories from real life, accomplished practitioner-turned-priest Rick Lesser will illustrate that true happiness is found in the intangibles of who we are, not what we do. Lesser and his late wife, Dr. Marilyn Schmidt, established the Equine Clinic at OakenCroft in Ravena, N.Y., in 1986. While operating a successful practice and raising three children, Dr. Schmidt passed suddenly in 2005.

In the ensuing years, the widowed father of three continued to work while prepping to sell the practice and take a leap of faith. He retired from practice in 2012 and was ordained a Catholic priest in 2015. Lesser is the pastor of four parishes and two schools in upstate New York. Despite his career change, Lesser remains an AAEP member and achieved Honor Roll status earlier this year for having maintained his membership for 40 years.



### FRANK J. MILNE STATE-OF-THE-ART LECTURE: The Equine Community Leading the Way in Orthobiologics

### Lisa A. Fortier, DVM, PhD, DACVS



The regenerative medicine subdiscipline of orthobiologics is a rapidly evolving field, but there remains much to learn about optimizing their use in the treatment of common equine pathologies such as osteoarthritis and soft tissue injuries.

During her lecture, renowned clinician-scientist and boarded

surgeon Dr. Lisa Fortier will help practitioners leverage orthobiologics beyond relieving pain to restoring biological function. She will also expose knowledge gaps limiting the profession from advancing to the next stage of musculoskeletal wellness for equine patients.

Dr. Fortier is the James Law Professor of Surgery at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine where, over the past 30 years, she has garnered an international reputation for her significant contributions in the areas of equine joint disease, cartilage biology, and regenerative medicine, particularly her pioneering use of biologics such as platelet rich plasma, bone marrow concentrate, and stem cells in horses and humans.

In addition to her Cornell appointment, Dr. Fortier is editorin-chief for the American Veterinary Medical Association's journals and, in 2023, became the chief publication officer for the AVMA. She also serves on the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority's Racetrack Safety Standing Committee. In 2022, Dr. Fortier received induction into the University of Kentucky Equine Research Hall of Fame.

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### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

(Speakers, times, and topics are subject to change.)

# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

### Morning

8:00 a.m.	<b>Opening Session</b> Moderator: Tracy Turner
9:00-	Keynote: Live Your Whole

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### 10:15 a.m. Kester News Hour

Sponsored by Merck Animal Health. In honor of the late Dr. Wayne O. Kester, the Kester News Hour highlights the latest scientific papers in specific areas of equine medicine. Presenters listed below and pictured from left.



Anchors: Kyla Ortved and Maria R. Schnobrich Forecaster: Carrie Finno Sportscaster: Katie Seabaugh Field Reporter: Bo Brock

### Afternoon

1:30 p.m.	Foundation Scholarship Awards Moderator: Leslie Easterwood
2:00 p.m.	Foundation Research Spotlight Moderator: Anthony Blikslager
2:30- 4:45 p.m.	Frank J. Milne State-of-the-Art Lecture The Equine Community Leading the Way in Orthobiologics Lisa A. Fortier (see page 3) Moderator: Luke Bass Sponsored by Platinum Performance, "Good Nutrition is Good Medicine."
BZ M	usiness and Practice Life oderator: Aimee Eggleston-Ahearn nonsored by Merck Animal Health.
2:00 p.m.	Business News Hour – Shane Baird, Stacey Cordivano, and Jean-Yin Tan
3:00 p.m.	New Day in Retirement Plans – John and Morgan Webb – Presenters will discuss the significant changes and adjustments in the world of retirement planning.
4:00 p.m.	Understanding Associate Compensation Calculations: The Relationship Between Revenue Production and Wages – <i>Amy L. Grice</i>
4:20 p.m.	Understanding Your Net Worth and Using It to Earn More Salary – <i>Charlotte Lacroix</i>
<b>C</b> 4:40- 5:00 p.m.	Navigating Perfectionism in Equine Veterinary Practice – <i>Jesse Tyma</i>

### Session Descriptions

### Burst Acquire

Acquire impactful knowledge on related subjects in a fast-paced, bite-sized format.

# BIZ

### **Business and Practice Life**

Focus on the non-medical aspects that are essential to a healthy bottom line and to practitioner wellbeing.



### Core Concept

Denotes a presentation or session containing core concepts for new graduates.

### How-to

Walk step-by-step through procedures successfully deployed by colleagues. You'll acquire the information to critically evaluate the technique and determine whether to implement in your practice.

### In-Depth

Dig deeper into important medical topics. These sessions feature fewer but longer presentations, enabling a thorough exploration of key components of the topic.

### Table Topics

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Draw upon the collective expertise of colleagues to work through common challenges and identify solutions within specific areas of equine medicine and practice. These facilitated discussions are informal but highly informative.

A dozen Table Topics will be re-offered live via Zoom Dec. 16–20. Under development at press time for this registration kit, the list will be published at convention.aaep.org when finalized.

### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

# Monday, December 9

### Morning

### In-Depth: Pain Management Beyond NSAIDs

Moderator: Jane Quandt Sponsored by Dechra Veterinary Products.

8:00 a.m.	Novel Analgesic Strategies in Horses with Laminitis – <i>Alonso Guedes</i>
<b>(</b> 8:50 a.m.	Use of Opioids for Pain Management in Horses – Rachel Reed
9:40 a.m.	Cervical Epidural Catheters for Front Limb Analgesia – <i>Valerie J. Moorman</i>
10:30- 11:00 a.m.	Panel Discussion with the Speakers

### How to Perform a Ridden Exam/Saddle Fit in Lameness Workup

#### Moderator: Hayley Sullivan

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8:00 a.m.	How to Decipher Saddle Fit Issues vs. Primary Back Problems – <i>Kevin K. Haussler</i>
8:20 a.m.	How to Evaluate Saddle Fit - Hilary M. Clayton
8:40 a.m.	How to: Bridle and Bit Fitting – Hilary M. Clayton
9:00 a.m.	How to Evaluate the Rider Impact During a Lameness Exam – <i>Maria Engell</i>
9:20 a.m.	The Ridden Lameness Exam: The Rationale, When, and Why – <i>Filip Vandenberghe</i>
9:40 a.m.	How to Perform Diagnostic Analgesia as Part of a Ridden Evaluation – <i>Kara Brown</i>
10:00- 11:00 a.m.	Panel Q&A: The Ridden Exam Across Different Disciplines with Cases/Videos Panelists: Mark Revenaugh, Filip Vandenberghe,

and Beau Whitaker





Moderators: Elizabeth Acutt and Allen Page Sponsored by Zoetis. Long Live the Horse.

This session presents highly informative, 5- to 7-minute talks on related subjects of interest to the general practitioner. Practical knowledge is presented dynamically in a fast-paced, "bite-sized" format that allows the audience to come away with impactful, useable information they can add to their knowledge base and skills sets.

### 8:00-9:00 a.m.

Don't Drop the Ball: Tips on Castration – *Holly Stewart* Prepurchasing with Precision: Ocular Examination Tips – *Kelly Knickelbein* 

What Does That Button Do? Machine Settings for Musculoskeletal Ultrasound – *Sherry Johnson* 

Leading Ladies: Recipient Mare Management for ICSI-Produced or Vitrified Embryos – *Jennifer Hatzel* 

Tooth or Dare: Should I Refer This for Extraction? – Amelie McAndrews

In the Blink of an Eye: Successful Subpalpebral Lavage Placement – Kelly Knickelbein

Q&A with the Hour 1 Speakers

### 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Countdown to Foal: Managing the Late Pregnant Mare – Jennifer Hatzel

The Medial Cranial Meniscotibial Ligament: How to Find and Assess It With Ultrasound – *Sherry Johnson* 

Wrap It Up: Bandaging and Splinting for Success – *Holly Stewart* 

Eye Spy: What's New in Uveitis? - Kelly Knickelbein

Current Status of Using Oxytocin Treatment to Suppress Estrus in Mares – *Holly Clement* 

Dental Imaging Demystified: Maxillary Cheek Teeth – Amelie McAndrews

Q&A with the Hour 2 Speakers

### 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Dental Imaging Demystified: Mandibular Cheek Teeth – Amelie McAndrews

Go With the Flow: Mastering Regional Limb Perfusion – *Holly Stewart* 

From Strength to Strength: Crafting a Rehab Program for Hind Proximal Suspensory Success – *Sherry Johnson* PPID, ID or Both? A How-to Guide for Diagnosing Endocrine Disorders – *Amanda Adams* 

Eye for Excellence: Tips for Mastering Enucleation in the Field – *Kelly Knickelbein* 

Egg-Citing Referrals: Ovum Pick-up – *Jennifer Hatzel* Round Table Q&A with Several Speakers

### MONDAY, DEC. 9 continued



### **Business and Practice Life**

Moderator: Jorge Colón Sponsored by Merck Animal Health.

8:00 a.m.	Opportunities in Solo Practice – <i>Caitlin Dobecka</i> and Ciera Guardia
<b>©</b> 8:50 a.m.	A Beginner's Guide to the Electronic Veterinary Medical Record – <i>Emily Mangan</i>
9:10 a.m.	Capital Expenditure Analysis – Jorge Colón
<b>©</b> 9:30 a.m.	Dealing with Client Complaints and Avoiding Malpractice – <i>Charlotte Lacroix</i>
9:50 a.m.	Legal Aspects of Telemedicine and Implementation in Private Practice – <i>Charlotte Lacroix</i>
10:10 a.m.	Ethics of Emergency Care – Barb Crabbe
10:30- 10:50 a m	Survey of Veterinarians Who Use Pentobarbital

**10:50 a.m.** for Euthanasia Suggests Knowledge Gaps Regarding Animal Disposal – *Mike Murphy* 



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#### 8:30-10:00 a.m..

Advanced Imaging: When, Where, Why? – Myra Barrett and Tim Manzi

I Have an Oral Endoscope, Now What? – Jess Hunt and Amelie McAndrews

The Problem Mare: Flowchart to Pregnancy (Treatment) – Elena Martinez de Andino and Maria Schnobrich

Technician Utilization and Empowering Staff – Karen Chapman, Heather Hopkinson, and Kelly Zeytoonian

#### 10:30 a.m.-Noon

Equine Insurance Roundtable – *Reynolds Cowles and Steve Reed* 

Diagnosis and Treatment of EOTRH from Mild to Severe – *Travis Henry and Olivia James* 

How to Get Involved with Your AAEP – *Emma Adam and Kathy Anderson* 

Tips and Tricks in Reproduction (Stallions/Mares) – Chelsie Burden and Jen Clulow



### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

### Afternoon

### In-Depth: Lameness in the Back

Moderator: Melissa King

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2:00 p.m.	Functional Assessment of the Equine Back – Sandro Colla
2:50 p.m.	Imaging of the Back – Natasha Werpy
3:40 p.m.	Conservative Management and Rehabilitation – <i>Katherine L. Ellis</i>
4:25-	Surgical Techniques of Dorsal Spinous Process
5:00 p.m.	Impingement in the Horse – José M. GarcíaLópez

### C Back to Basics: Breeding

Moderator: Karen Wolfsdorf Sponsored by Cargill, manufacturer of Nutrena<sup>®</sup> & ProElite<sup>®</sup> – premium nutrition solutions for every horse.

2:00 p.m.	How to Manage the Postpartum Mare – Chelsie A. Burden
2:20 p.m.	Endometrial Culture/Cytology and Biopsy: What Can We Learn – Margo L. Macpherson
2:40 p.m.	Diagnostic Approach to Chronic Bacterial Endometritis – <i>Karen Von Dollen</i>
3:00 p.m.	How to Improve Pregnancy Rates with Cooled and Frozen Semen Breeding – Lauren Pasch
3:20 p.m.	Post-Breeding Therapeutic Intervention to Maximize Conception in Mares – <i>C. Scott Bailey</i>
3:40 p.m.	How to Perform Fetal and Placental Monitoring in the Mare After 100 Days of Gestation – Maria R. Schnobrich
4:00 p.m.	Practical Tips for Success in the Laboratory When Shipping Cooled Stallion Sperm – Jennifer Clulow
4:20 p.m.	Alternative Therapies for Treating Endometritis – Lorenzo G.T.M. Segabinazzi
4:40-	Ways to Improve Number and Quality of in vitro

**5:00 p.m.** Produced Embryos in Equine Practice – Jennifer N. Hatzel

### Medicine: Non-Infectious Diseases

Moderator: Chris Sanchez

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- **2:00 p.m.** Treatment with Inhaled Ciclesonide for 10 Days Improved Moderate Asthma in Thoroughbred Racehorses *Macarena Sanz*
- **2:20 p.m.** Histopathological Findings in the Lamellar Tissue of the Hoof of Mangalarga Marchador Horses with Induced Obesity *Leticia Cota*
- **© 2:40 p.m.** Review on How to Feed Horses Prone to Endocrinopathic Laminitis *Erica Macon*

3:00 p.m.	Intra-Articular Triamcinolone and Autologous Protein Solution Effects on Metabolic Parameters in Horses – <i>Allen Page</i>
<b>()</b> 3:20 p.m.	Review of Recent Developments in the Treatment of Equine Glandular Gastric Disease – David Rendle
3:40 p.m.	Effects of a Hyaluronan with Beta Glucan on Gastric Ulcer Scores – <i>Frank Andrews</i>
4:00 p.m.	Oral Sugar Test Responses Following Treatment with Empagliflozin or Ertugliflozin in Horses with Insulin Dysregulation – <i>Tania Sundra</i>
4:20 p.m.	Use of SGLT2i in Equine Clinical Practice – <i>Tania Sundra</i>
4:40 p.m.	How to Utilize Rectal Fluids in a Field Setting – Zach Loppnow
5:00- 5:20 p.m.	Review of Equine Genetic Testing and Tools for Practitioners – <i>Annette McCoy</i>

### C From All Walks of Life: Fostering Diversity in Veterinary Medicine

Moderator: Kim Harmon Sponsored by Merck Animal Health.

2:00 p.m.	Courageous Conversations: How to Say the Thing That Needs to be Said in a Way That Empowers Your Team – <i>Turpin Mott</i>
3:30- 5:00 p.m.	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Veterinary Practice – <i>TBD</i>



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### 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Colic in the Field: How to Make Decisions Based off Diagnostics – *Nimet Browne and Jesse Tyma* 

Emergency/Disaster Response – Howard Ketover and Lisa Kivett

How Footing Impacts Therapeutic Farriery – Brian Beasley and Lars Roepstorff

#### 3:30-5:00 p.m.

How to Tactfully Say No to Trainer and Client Requests – *Ryland Edwards and Tim Ober* 

- Lacerations Involving Vital Structures in the Field Kate Chope and Holly Stewart
- Pain Management for the Performance Horse
- Lori Bidwell and Richard Markell

# TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

### Morning

### C Navigating Ethical Challenges: Tools for Success

Moderator: Kathy Anderson

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6:30- Whether you are a veterinary student, new
8:00 a.m. practitioner, or seasoned veterinarian, this diverse panel session will offer something for everyone as the panelists address a number of ethical scenarios facing today's equine practitioner.

### C How-to (Go-Do) Session:

### Dentistry and Ophthalmology

Moderators: Travis Henry and Dennis Brooks Sponsored by SmartPak, Your Trusted Partner for Equine Supplements - visit us at booth 427.

- **8:00 a.m.** How to Understand Dental Neuroanatomy: The Innervation of Teeth and a Review of Local Anesthetics – *Travis J. Henry*
- **8:20 a.m.** How to Perform Dental Nerve Blocks in the Horse for Dental Surgery *Jessica Hunt*
- **8:40 a.m.** How to Perform Oral Maxillofacial Surgeries on Standing Sedated Patients with Regional Anesthetic Blocks *Travis J. Henry*
- **9:00 a.m.** How to Perform Regional Anesthesia for Ocular Cases Karen Hidalgo and Dennis Brooks
- **9:20 a.m.** How to Avoid and Treat Complications from Regional Anesthetic Blocks of the Skull *Travis J. Henry*
- **9:40 a.m.** How to Take Eye Pictures Karen Hidalgo and Dennis Brooks
- **10:00 a.m.** Common Eye Conditions in the Horse: Initial Therapy and Expectations as to When to Refer or Enucleate *Karen Hidalgo and Dennis Brooks*
- **10:20 a.m.** How to Work up Head and Dental Trauma Cases *Jessica Hunt*
- **10:40-** Panel Discussion with the Speakers **11:00 a.m.**



Following this session, practice the techniques discussed in the two highlighted presentations during drop-in mini-labs using models between noon-2:00 p.m. in the Stable Education area of the trade show.

### **In-Depth: Imaging Artifacts**

#### Moderator: Sarah Puchalski

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- **(C 8:00 a.m.** Ultrasound Tips to Up Your Game in General: Emphasis on How Computed Tomography/ Magnetic Resonance Imaging Has Informed Ultrasound Interpretation – *Natasha Werpy* 
  - **8:45 a.m.** Old School and New School Nuclear Imaging (Scintigraphy and PET) Taking the Information Back to the Horse. What to Expect and How to Maximize Diagnostic Yield *Carter Judy*
- **© 9:30 a.m.** Radiography More Tips to Up Your Game: Emphasis on How Computed Tomography/ Magnetic Resonance Imaging Has Informed Radiograph Interpretation – Sarah Puchalski
  - **10:15 a.m.** Low-Field Standing Magnetic Resonance Imaging: When to Choose It and How Do You Know That Is a Lesion? Comparison to High-Field MRI, Computed Tomography, and Ultrasound – Beth Biscoe
  - 10:35- Positron Emission Tomography: What Does It
    11:00 a.m. Add to Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging? Charlene Pigé

### Medicine: Infectious Diseases

Moderator: TBD

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- 8:00 a.m. Specific Immune Response, Risk Evaluation and Biomarkers to Equine Herpes Virus-1 Frank Andrews
- 8:20 a.m. Comparison of Antibody and Antigen Response to Intranasal and Intramuscular EHV-1 Modified-live Vaccination in Healthy Adult Horses *Nicola Pusterla*
- **8:40 a.m.** Antibody Testing to Detect Viral Exposure in Contact Horses During an Equine Herpes Myeloencephalopathy Outbreak *Gillian Perkins*
- **9:00 a.m.** Investigation of the Use of Environmental Samples for the Detection of EHV-1 in the Stalls of Subclinical Shedders *Nicola Pusterla*
- **9:20 a.m.** Immunogenicity of a mRNA Vaccine Against Group A Equine Rotavirus VP8 *Noah Cohen*

**9:40 a.m.** Investigation of the Frequency and Selected Prevalence Factors of EHV-4 Viremia in Horses with Acute Onset of Fever and Respiratory Signs – *Nicola Pusterla* 

- **© 10:00 a.m.** How to Diagnose and Treat Strangles *Camilo Morales* 
  - **10:20 a.m.** The Impact of Common Antibiotic Treatments on Antimicrobial Resistance and the Microbiome of Mares *Paul Morley*
- C 10:40- 11:00 a.m. Assessment of Biosecurity for Equine Infectious Diseases in Veterinary Practice – Nathaniel A, White



0.00 a.m.	- Jeff Blea
8:25 a.m.	Medical Recordkeeping Unique to Performance Horse Practice – <i>Mark Baus</i>
<b>()</b> 8:50 a.m.	Medical Record Keeping for the Ambulatory Practitioner: Adapt, Improvise and Conquer – Pete Kazakevicius
9:15 a.m.	Recordkeeping from a Legal Perspective – <i>Mike Casey</i>
9:40- 10:40 a.m.	Panel/Q&A



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### 8:30-10:00 a.m.

Caring for the Racehorse Heading into Retirement or Second Career – Shannon Reed and Jennifer Selvig

Developing a Rehabilitation Program for the Sport Horse – *Katherine L. Ellis* 

Placentitis and Postpartum Complications – Margo L. Macpherson and Karen Wolfsdorf

### 10:30 a.m.-Noon

Orthobiologics: How to Know What to Use When – Erin Contino and Beau Whitaker

Pain Management in the Field – Alonso Guedes and Rachel Hector

Standing Sedation Techniques for Field Surgery – John Hubbell and Rachel Reed



### Afternoon

#### How to Optimize Lesion Detection

Moderator: Stacie Aarsvold

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2:00 p.m.	How to Optimize Lesion Detection: Fetlock Imaging Decisions – <i>Maureen Kelleher</i>
2:20 p.m.	Using Complementary Radiographic Views of the Metacarpo/Metatarsophalangeal (Fetlock) Joints in the Sport Horse – <i>Julia L. Graham</i>
2:40 p.m.	How to Use Positron Emission Tomography to Improve Confidence in the Diagnosis of the Sport Horse Fetlock Region Pathology – <i>Kathryn W. Bills</i>
3:00 p.m.	How to Use Ultrasound to Optimize Lesion Detection within the Digital Flexor Tendon Sheath – Rachel Gottlieb
<b>(</b> 3:20 p.m.	How to Optimize Lesion Detection- Cervical Spine Imaging Decisions – <i>Krista Estell</i>
<b>©</b> 3:40 p.m.	How to Optimize Lesion Detection on Equine Cervical Vertebral Column Radiographs – <i>Timothy Manzi</i>
4:00 p.m.	How to Incorporate Computed Tomography in Cervical Imaging – <i>Stacie Aarsvold</i>
4:20- 5:00 p.m.	Panel: How to Get the Most Out of Your Radiologist's Report

### Veterinary Support of Working Equids

Moderator: Julia Wilson

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- **2:00 p.m.** A Myriad of Needs in Search of Solutions *Derek C. Knottenbelt*
- **2:25 p.m.** Successful Models of Health Care Delivery and Education in Africa *Francesca Compostella*
- **2:50 p.m.** Synergistic Partnerships with Other NGO's Enhance Program Growth: Equitarian Initiative Peru *Stacy H. Tinkler*
- **3:15 p.m.** The Importance of Community Engagement, Mentorship, and Education in Working Equid Programs – Judy Batker
- **3:40 p.m.** Development and Implementation of Curriculum for In-Country Veterinary Students, Equid Owners, and Volunteers – *Angela Varnum*
- **4:05 p.m.** Collaborative Working Equid Education Program with Michigan State University, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, and Universidad Veracruzana *Harold C. Schott II*

**4:30-** Panel Discussion with the Speakers **5:00 p.m.** 

### TUESDAY, DEC. 10 continued

### In-Depth: Responsible Use and Selection of Antimicrobials in Equine Veterinary Practice

Moderators: Lucas Pantaleon and Mats H.T. Troedsson Sponsored by W.F. Young, Absorbine. Silver Honey, naturally effective veterinary solutions to help animals heal fast!

2:00 p.m.	Antimicrobial Resistance Needs a One Health Solution – <i>Lucas Pantaleon</i>
<b>©</b> 2:15 p.m.	Equine Antimicrobial Stewardship: Basic Steps and Case Examples – <i>Pamela S. Velarde</i>
2:30 p.m.	BREAK
<b>2:45 p.m</b> .	Responsible Use of Antibiotics in Equine Reproduction – <i>Mats H.T. Troedsson</i>
3:05 p.m.	Peri-Operative and Prophylactic Orthopedic Antimicrobial Use: Habit vs Evidence – John Peroni
3:25 p.m.	Practically Speaking: Merging Clinical Practice and Antimicrobial Stewardship – <i>Clare A. Ryan</i>
3:45 p.m.	BREAK
4:00-	Panel Discussion with the Speakers

4:45 p.m.

#### Sports Medicine/Rehabilitation/Lameness

Moderator: Lori Bidwell Sponsored by Contura Vet – makers of ArthramidVet®.

- **2:00 p.m.** Comparative Study Using Alpha 2-Agonist (Xylazine) and Lidocaine with Lidocaine Alone in Perineural Anesthesia and Analgesia in Horses Jose Guerra
- **2:20 p.m.** Safety and Stem Cell Viability After Repeat Intra-Articular Allogeneic Mesenchymal Stem Cell Injections in MHC-mismatched Horses – Layla Gray
- **2:40 p.m.** How to Manage Hoof Wall Defects Stephen E. O'Grady
- **3:00 p.m.** How to Shoe the Low Foot with a Rocker Shoe *Ramon Batalla*
- **3:20 p.m.** Equine Foot Infections: A Retrospective Study of Bacterial Isolates and Their Antimicrobial Susceptibilities (2010-2020) *Benjamin Flakoll*
- **3:40 p.m.** Histologic and Cytologic Changes in Normal Equine Joints After Injection with 2.5% Injectable Polyacrylamide Hydrogel Reveal Low-Level Macrophage-Driven Foreign Body Response Jason Lowe
- **4:00 p.m.** Cytokine Profiles of Autologous Conditioned Serum and Autologous Protein Solution from horses with Pituitary Pars Intermedia Dysfunction and Unaffected Controls – *Valerie Moorman*
- **4:20 p.m.** Combination of a Soluble Epoxide Hydrolase Inhibitor and Synovial Fluid-Derived MSCs as a Potential Therapy for the Treatment of Osteoarthritis in Horses *Alexandra Carlson*

- **4:40 p.m.** Comparison of the Clinical Efficacy of Multidose COX-2 Selective and sEH Inhibitors Alone and in Combination for the Treatment of Equine Naturally Occurring Osteoarthritis *Alexandra Carlson*
- 5:00- Systemic Absorption of Triamcinolone Acetonide
  5:20 p.m. Following Intrasynovial and Extrasynovial Injection and Its Effect on Glucose, Insulin, Cortisol, and Adrenocorticotropic Hormone in Adult Horses *Kimberly Hallowell*

### AAEP/AAEVT Joint Roundtable Discussion

#### 1:00-2:30 p.m.

- Moderator: Kimberly Burton
- Panelists: AAEP: Lia McCoy and Deborah Spike-Pierce AAEVT: Amanda Krikhaan, Lindsey Schoelen, and Arie Wolff

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#### 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Modern Parenthood and Equine Practice – Amy Armentrout and Jamie Clark

Nutrition for PPID/Insulin Dysregulation – Amanda Adams and Pat Harris

Treating Neonates or Foals in the Field – *Lisa Edwards and Laura Javsicas* 

#### 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Down Horse in the Field - Krista Estell

The Power of Networking and Sustainability in Practice Using Decade One, EPIC, VMG – *Miranda Gosselin and Amy L. Grice* 

Strangles in the Field - Gillian Perkins

- Equine Ophthalmology in the Field: What's New?
- Dennis Brooks and Nikki Scherrer

# WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

### Morning

### C Emerging Issues: Social License

Moderator: Tracy A. Turner Sponsored by the U.S. Equestrian Federation.

8:00 a.m.	USEF and Social License – David O'Connor
8:20 a.m.	AQHA and Social License – Tom Lenz
8:40 a.m.	FEI and Social License – Goran Åkerström
9:00 a.m.	Rodeo and Social License – Doug Corey
9:20 a.m.	Racing and Social License – Jeff Berk
9:40 a.m.	Panel Discussion with the Speakers
10:40- 11:30 a.m.	Humane Endings Guidelines – <i>Cia Johnson</i>

### Imaging

Moderator: Elizabeth Acutt

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8:00 a.m.	Distal Interphalangeal Joint Capsule	
	Enthesopathy is Associated with Articular	
	Cartilage Loss – <i>Monika Samol</i>	

- **© 8:20 a.m.** A Review of Normal Anatomy and Artifacts Commonly Mistaken for Pathology in Equine Musculoskeletal Ultrasound – *Myra Barrett* 
  - 8:40 a.m. Ultrasonography of the Suspensory Ligament Branches in Yearling and Two-Year-Old Thoroughbred Sales Horses – *Frances Peat*
  - **9:00 a.m.** Concurrent Findings in the Proximal Sesamoid Bones and Adjacent Suspensory Ligament Branches in Yearling and Two-Year-Old Thoroughbred Sales Horses – *Frances Peat*
  - **9:20 a.m.** Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Computed Tomographic, and Radiographic Findings in the Metacarpophalangeal Joints of 31 Non-Lame Showjumpers in Full Work and Competing Regularly – Annamaria Nagy
  - **9:40 a.m.** Comparison of 18F-NaF and 18F-FDG Positron Emission Tomography with Low-Field Standing Magnetic Resonance Imaging in a Clinical Population of Horses with Foot Pain – Mathieu Spriet
  - **10:00 a.m.** The Use of Standing 18F-Sodium Fluoride Positron Emission Tomography in a Clinical Population of Horses with Suspected Tarsal Pain – *Meredith Chamberlain*

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10:20- How to Perform Upper Airway Endoscopies in
10:40 a.m. Donkeys Using a Modified Borescope

Anya Floyd
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### **Surgery and Medicine**

Moderator: TBD

Sponsored by Purina Animal Nutrition, empowering veterinary professionals with nutrition resources at EquineVetNutrition.com.

- **8:00 a.m.** Fasting Horses Perioperatively Decreases Manure Production and Increases Time to Manure Output Post-Operatively – *Charlotte Barton*
- 8:20 a.m. An investigation of Whether Perfusate Instillation Time Affects Systemic or Synovial Concentration of Amikacin in the Radiocarpal Joint After Intravenous Regional Limb Perfusion – Laurel Saldinger
- 8:40 a.m. Effects of Oral Trazodone Administration on Sedation and Xylazine Requirements in Adult Horses *Carrie Schroeder*
- **© 9:00 a.m.** Review of Surgical Colic Outcomes from the Recent Literature *Rebecca Bishop* 
  - **9:20 a.m.** Detection of Selected Equine Respiratory Pathogens in Stall Samples Collected at a Multi-Week Equestrian Show During the Winter Months – *Nicola Pusterla*
  - **9:40 a.m.** Rational Quinidine Dosage Regimen for Atrial Fibrillation in Thoroughbred Racehorses Based on Population Pharmacokinetics *Taisuke Kuroda*
  - **10:00 a.m.** Pharmacokinetics and Adverse Effects of a Long-Acting Intramuscular Dopamine Agonist in Healthy Horses *Hannah Hess*
  - **10:20 a.m.** Safety and Pharmacokinetics of Six Weeks' Treatment with Cannabidiol and Cannabidiolic Acid: A Comparative Pharmacokinetics Assessment – *Joseph Wakshlag*
  - **10:40 a.m.** How to Assess and Correct Vitamin E Concentrations *Carrie Finno*
  - **11:00-** Impact of Work Type in Kenyan Donkeys on
  - 11:20 a.m. Prevalence of Tracheal Collapse Martha Mellish



### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 11 continued

### Theriogenology

Moderator: Karen Wolfsdorf Sponsored by Platinum Performance, "Good Nutrition is Good Medicine."

<b>©</b> 8:00 a.m.	Review of Pituitary Pars Intermedia Dysfunction Effects on Mare Reproductive Performance – Sophia Marchio
8:20 a.m.	The Proteome Composite of Mares Susceptible to Persistent Breeding-Induced Endometritis Differs from Those Resistant to It – Paz Oliveira dos Santos Novello
<b>C</b> 8:40 a.m.	A Retrospective Clinical Comparison of GnRH Agonists to Induce a Timed Ovulation – <i>Ryan Ferris</i>
9:00 a.m.	Factors Affecting Pregnancy Rate and Early Embryonic Loss in a Large Commercial Embryo Transfer Center: A Retrospective Investigation on over 5000 Fresh and Transported Embryos During Five Breeding Seasons – <i>Denis Necchi</i>
9:20 a.m.	How to Thaw and Transfer Vitrified Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection Embryos – <i>Karen Von Dollen</i>
9:40 a.m.	The Effect of the Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drug Phenylbutazone on the Developmental Competence of in vitro-Matured Equine Oocytes Fertilized by Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection – Luisa Ramirez-Agamez
10:00- 10:20 a.m.	Influence of Maternal Age on Embryo Development and Pregnancy Rate in a Clinical

**10:20 a.m.** Development and Pregnancy Rate in a Clinical Equine Ovum Pick Up- Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection Program – *Giovanna Lazzari* 

### USDA Accreditation Training Tuesday, Dec. 10

The USDA's National Veterinary Accreditation Program has assigned accreditation renewal dates to more than 20,000 equine veterinarians. These sessions will apply specifically toward the mandatory training requirements for accreditation renewal.

Although these courses do not have RACE approval for CE, state boards generally accept these courses when used for license renewal.

8:00 a.m.	Overview of the NVAP
9:00 a.m.	Role of Agencies (State, Federal, International) and Health Certificates
10:00 a.m.	International Movement of Horses
11:00 a.m.	High-Impact Equine Diseases in the U.S.
Noon- 1:00 p.m.	Lunch Break
1:00 p.m.	Regulation of Vaccines and Related Biologics
2:00 p.m.	Veterinary Export Health Certificate System (VEHCS)

### The Magic Awaits at Orlando's Theme Parks

Orlando is home to some of the world's most iconic theme parks. Whether you're planning to bring the family with you to Orlando or you're simply young at heart, you can purchase discounted admission tickets to the parks at Walt Disney World and SeaWorld as well as Universal Orlando.



Purchase tickets at www.bestoforlando.com/ convention-tickets/?conv\_code= aaep-annual-december-northamerican-convention-2024.

# TRADE SHOW





### AAEP Trade Show

Sunday, Dec. 8-Tuesday, Dec. 10 Dec. 8: 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Dec. 9: 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Dec. 10: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

No matter your practice focus, expand your abilities by shopping equine veterinary medicine's most extensive in-person marketplace. Discover the latest product, technology, and service offerings; establish and strengthen vendor relationships; comparison shop for your next practice investment; and pick up free swag too!

Stop by the **AAEP Connect** area, where you can chat with AAEP and Foundation staff as well as take advantage of the following complimentary services and offerings:

### **Shoeshine Service**

Sponsored by Dechra Veterinary Products. Sunday, Dec. 8, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Look like a boss with shoeshine gloss! Restore your shoes or boots to their original luster with a complimentary and professional shoeshine.

### **Massage Service**

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Sunday, Dec. 8, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Relieve tension in the neck, back, shoulders, and arms with a refreshing upper body massage from licensed, professional massage therapists with BodyWorks. Electronic foot massagers and charging stations for your devices are also available.

#### Portrait Hub Monday, Dec. 9-Tuesday, Dec. 10, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

First impressions are formed in seconds so make yours count with a professional portrait for your practice website and social media.

### Trade Show Reception

### Sunday, Dec. 8, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Sip and shop casually with colleagues among 300 exhibitors while enjoying complimentary wine, beer, and snacks.

### Stable Education

#### Sunday, Dec. 8-Monday, Dec. 9, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Gather the latest on exhibitors' new products, equipment, and research during 30-minute presentations in the Stable Education theaters in Hall D. No CE credit is given. The presentation lineup will be available in the on-site program and on the convention app and website.

### Meeting Pods

Sponsored by EQUUS, EquiManagement, and The Horse: Your sources for horse health and veterinary business information.

Host a meeting on-site in one of four meeting pods located in Hall B. Reserve your time at the Equine Network booth. A charging station for your devices is also available.

### Coffee Café

Satisfy both your sweet tooth and caffeine craving! Indulge in savory treats and little eats each afternoon while supplies last. Coffee will also be available throughout the day courtesy of Professional Embryo Transfer Supply, Inc. (PETS) and MAI Animal Health.

### Trade Show B-I-N-G-O!

Grab a bingo card from the kiosk near the convention registration desk and set out on a trade show quest to collect stickers on every exhibitor's name. Submit your completed card at the AAEP booth for a \$10 AAEP General Store gift certificate and to be entered in daily drawings for prizes, including VISA gift cards and more.

# **MEETINGS & SUNRISE SESSIONS**

### Council and Committee Meetings

Council and committee meetings are open to all AAEP members unless specified otherwise. These meetings will conclude with a brief "closed" business session for council/committee members only. Meeting days and times are subject to change.

Saturday, Dec. 7	
8:00-10:00 a.m.	Member Engagement Committee Performance Horse Committee Welfare & Public Policy Advisory Council
10:00 a.mNoon	Infectious Disease Committee Professional Conduct & Ethics Committee* Wellness Committee
1:00-2:30 p.m.	Educational Programs Committee
1:00-3:00 p.m.	Racing Committee
3:00-5:00 p.m.	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee
Sunday, Dec. 8 4:00-5:30 p.m.	President's Advisory Council*
Monday, Dec. 9 Noon-2:00 p.m.	Horse Owner Education Committee

\*Open only to members of the council or committee



### General Membership Meeting Monday, Dec. 9, 5:15-6:00 p.m.

Discover the AAEP's progress on important issues over the past year and vote on proposed bylaws changes during this 45-minute annual business meeting.

### PARTNER SUNRISE SESSIONS

### **Rise and Shine!**

Join AAEP Educational Partners for a complimentary breakfast (while supplies last) and exploration of a variety of equine healthcare and practice topics on Dec. 8-9 in the Orange County Convention Center.

### Sunday, Dec. 8

### 6:30-7:30 a.m.

Using Objective Gait Analysis to Support and Grow Your Joint Health Business – Elin Hernlund, Marianne Marshall-Gibson, Olivia Rudolphi, and Jamie Textor. Presented by Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health.

Tackling Degenerative Joint Disease: Real-world Case Studies – Sherry Johnson and Kelly Zeytoonian. Presented by American Regent Animal Health.

Healing with Horsepower: New Research that Expands Understanding of the Impact of Lameness Treatment Choices on the Whole Horse – *Kyla Ortved, Allen Page, and Valerie Moorman, Moderator: Abby Sage. Presented by Zoetis.* 

Healthy from the Inside Out: Maximizing Performance Starts in the Gut – Abby Pritchard. Presented by Cargill.

### Monday, Dec. 9

### 6:30-7:30 a.m.

Emerging Research and Results with Advanced Nutritional Intervention – *Matt Durham and Darci Agin. Presented by Platinum Performance.* 

Bisphosphonate Safety & Efficacy: A 10 Year Review; Panelist Discussion – Sarah Le Jeune, Lindsey Boone, and Britt Conklin. Presented by Dechra Veterinary Products.

The Truth Is in the Tissue: Visualizing, Diagnosing, and Treating Synovial Joints with Arthramid Vet<sup>®</sup> – Cooper Williams. Presented by Contura Vet.

The Microbiome and Gut Health: Applications for Your Practice – Mary Beth Gordon and Robert Jacobs. Presented by Purina.

The material presented is done so at the discretion of the Educational Partner; does not reflect the opinions or views of, or an endorsement by, the AAEP; and has not undergone review by the Educational Programs Committee. No CE credit is given for these sessions unless RACE approval has been previously obtained by the presenting company.

# **PROFESSIONAL & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**



### How-to, Go-Do Mini-Labs

#### Tuesday, Dec. 10, Noon-2:00 p.m.

New this year, a "Go-Do" component has been integrated into the Tuesday morning How-to Session: Dentistry and Ophthalmology. Under expert supervision, session attendees will be able to practice techniques discussed in two of the presentations during post-session, drop-in mini-labs (using models).

Simply stop by the Stable Education area of the trade show anytime between noon-2:00 p.m. to refine techniques and build hands-on skills in the following areas:

How to Perform Dental Nerve Blocks in the Horse for Dental Surgery - Jessica Hunt How to Perform Regional Anesthesia for Ocular Cases - Dennis Brooks and Karen Hidalgo

### **Member Roundtables**

#### Saturday, Dec. 7, 1:00-2:30 p.m. & 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Connect with your veterinary peers during 90-minute facilitated discussions on several topics of current relevance and led by subject matter experts. There is no need to sign up in advance; just show up, listen, learn, and ask questions.

These sessions are not eligible for CE credit, and the complete list of presenters will be published in the official convention program, at convention.aaep.org, and on the convention app when finalized.

#### 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Horse Show Medication: Regulations, Member Feedback and More

3:00-4:30 p.m.

Practice Culture: Building a Thriving Team

Horse Racing: Current Veterinary Issues in the U.S.

What's Trending in Equine Infectious Disease?



### The Mane Connection

Sunday, Dec. 8-Tuesday, Dec. 10 Noon-12:45 p.m. & 1:00-1:45 p.m.

Supplementing the Member Roundtables, a new series of shorter but equally meaningful discussions on various topics of interest will be held in the AAEP Connect area of the trade show during the lunch break each day. The Mane Connection provides another valuable opportunity to converse with colleagues and learn from their experiences to help elevate your practice and enjoyment of veterinary medicine.

No CE credit is given for the following sessions, and the complete list of presenters will be published in the official convention program, at convention.aaep.org, and on the convention app when finalized.

### Sunday, Dec. 8

Noon-12:45 p.m.	Hot Topics with AAEP President Katie Garrett
1:00-1:45 p.m.	Confessions of a Seasoned Vet: Mistakes Made and Wisdom Gained
Monday, Dec. 9	

Noon-12:45 p.m.	Thriving in Solo Practice
1:00-1:45 p.m.	Demystifying the Veterinary Management Group (VMG) Program

### Tuesday, Dec. 10

Noon-12:45 p.m.	Top Technology Tips for Practice
1:00-1:45 p.m.	Juggling the Stethoscope and the Car Seat: Strategies for
	Parent-Veterinarians







### **Orlando Fun Run** & Walk

Sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health.

Monday, Dec. 9, 6:30 a.m. \$35 Advance registration required at convention.aaep.org

Enjoy a 3- to 4-mile sightseeing tour with colleagues around the convention district with stops along the way where experienced runners/ tour guides will share history, anecdotes and insights of the sights and hidden gems. All paces, including walkers, are welcome. Participants will depart from the West C Lobby of the convention center. Fee includes keepsake water bottle.

# **RECEPTIONS & SOCIAL EVENTS**



#### Welcome Reception Saturday, Dec. 7, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Before embarking on days of medical discovery, kick off your journey with drinks and hors d'oeuvres among friends old and new. If attending the convention alone or for the first time, there will be an opportunity beforehand to meet and engage with similar attendees and, afterward, walk to the Welcome Reception as a group.

### Student Faculty Advisors' Breakfast Sunday, Dec. 8, 6:30-7:30 a.m.

Faculty advisors from participating veterinary schools are invited to a casual breakfast and discussion of issues relevant to AAEP student programming.

### Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Social Hour Sunday, Dec. 8, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Gather with colleagues who are passionate about DEI in this safe space for connection.



# Vet Story Night 🔖

### Benefiting The Foundation for The Horse

Sunday, Dec. 8, 8:00-10:30 p.m. Hyatt Regency Orlando

\$65 – General Admission
\$35 – Students, Residents, Interns, and Technicians *Ticket purchase includes theater seating and one drink.*

Enjoy an evening of engaging storytelling, music and laughs as your veterinary colleagues and special guests entertain during this one-of-a-kind event.

Table Sponsorships are available and include a one-hour pre-event reception.

Visit convention.aaep.org/events for more information, including table sponsorship.

Join in the fun and help support The Foundation for the Horse!

### Internship/Externship Career Night

Sponsored by Merck Animal Health. Sunday, Dec. 8, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

AAEP Internship/Externship Program practices: Find young talent to strengthen your practice pipeline among hundreds of capable students seeking to launch their careers by advancing their clinical and client interaction skills.

### **New Practitioners' Reception**

Sponsored by Merck Animal Health.

### Sunday, Dec. 8, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Build connections and harness the power of social relationships among peers in their first five years of practice at this casual gathering offering free food and beverages. During the reception, obtain a professional headshot at no charge for your website and social media.

### Christian Veterinary Mission Fellowship Breakfast Monday, Dec. 9, 8:00-9:00 a.m.

Start your day with breakfast and encouragement among CVM friends. Hear from Dr. Nancy Moore about CVM's work around the world with a devotional on the theme of "Compassion" from Colossians 3:12.

### Alumni Receptions Monday, Dec. 9, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Reminisce about your student days when catching up with former classmates and meeting other graduates of your alma mater. A list of schools hosting receptions will appear in the convention program and app. For more information, contact your school's alumni office.



**RECEPTIONS & SOCIAL EVENTS** 

### International Events

Sponsored by Sound<sup>®</sup>—your most trusted source for digital diagnostic solutions - now partnering with SCIL, GmbH, and EU to provide a global solution for equine practitioners. Visit booth 620 for more information.

These special events are exclusively for AAEP's members outside of the U.S. and Canada.

#### International Members' Breakfast Monday, Dec. 9, 6:30-7:30 a.m.

Start the day with a light breakfast and discussion of pertinent issues affecting the profession on a global level.

### International Members' Reception Monday, Dec. 9, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Build camaraderie across borders when socializing with your fellow members from around the world. Refreshments provided.

### The President's Luncheon Tuesday, Dec. 10 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. \$60

Celebrate the best aspects of equine veterinary medicine by joining the AAEP officers, board members and honorees for lunch and a salute to the outstanding contributions of leadership and volunteer service during our awards presentation. Outgoing board members will be recognized and new board members installed.

# The After Party

Sponsored by Zoetis. Long Live the Horse. **Tuesday, Dec. 10, 8:00-10:30 p.m.** Hyatt Regency Orlando

Free for all registered attendees and exhibitors. **Ticket required. RSVP when completing your convention registration.** 

Let loose and celebrate with colleagues as the convention's social calendar culminates with The After Party.

Enjoy a memorable evening of live music, dancing, and fun with veterinary professionals from around the world. Watch for details about the musical performer in the coming weeks at convention.aaep.org.

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# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Make a Career Connection

### Land a fresh start through Convention Career Fair

Looking for more purpose and flexibility in the workplace? Seeking greater compensation? No matter your reason, find a new opportunity among dozens of practices looking to hire during convention. Here's how.

Beginning Oct. 16:

- 1. Create or log in to your AAEP Career Center account at jobs.aaep.org.
- 2. Upload your résumé if you haven't already done so.

3. Indicate your Career Fair attendance on your account page, which will flag your résumé for participating employers to review and contact you (confidentially if preferred) about meeting while in Orlando.

You'll also be able to view a list of participating employers and create email job alerts to be notified of new Career Fair listings. For more information, contact Megan Gray at mgray@aaep.org.



### Thanks to Convention Organizers

This meeting's educational program is brought to you by the combined efforts of the program chair, the Educational Programs Committee and the Scientific Review & Editorial Committee.





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### Mother's Lounge

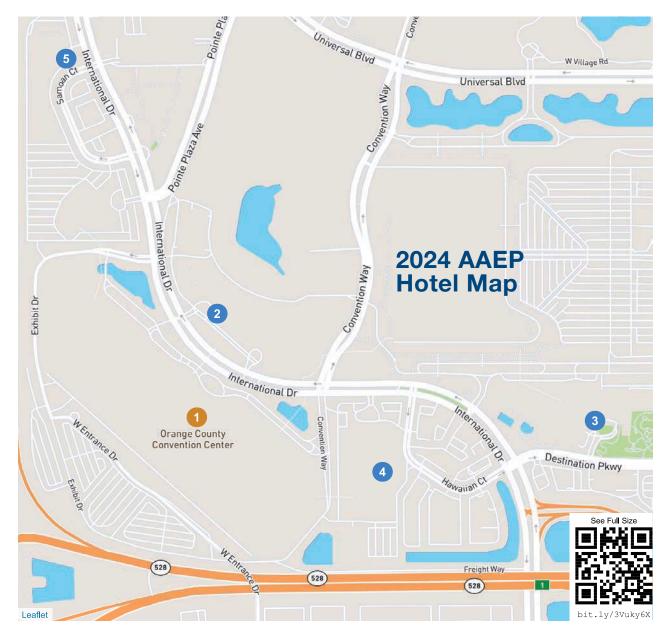
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A private and comfortable lounge for nursing mothers will be available near the convention registration area. The lounge will be equipped with electric to recharge any electronic devices.



### Hotel Accommodations

AAEP has secured room blocks at four convenient hotels. The daily rate listed is for single/double occupancy and excludes 12.5% local taxes and any applicable parking fees. The deadline to reserve a room at the AAEP rate, cancel a reservation or make changes is Nov. 13. Please book your hotel room online at convention.aaep.org. You must be registered for the convention to book a hotel room at the AAEP rate.



- 1 Orange County Convention Center
- 2 Hyatt Regency Orlando \$263/night
- **3 Hilton Orlando** \$235/night

- 4 Rosen Centre Hotel \$234/night
- 5 Rosen Inn at Pointe Orlando \$128/night

### Choose Your Preferred Registration Option

The 2024 Convention offers two registration options: in-person and virtual. Please read the following to determine which option is right for you!

**In-Person Registration** includes four days of educational sessions offering over 130 CE hours from which to choose; access to the three-day Trade Show with nearly 300 exhibitors plus lunch each day; the *Proceedings* book; and free social events like the Welcome Reception and The After Party. The in-person event takes place Dec. 7-11. All in-person attendees also receive on-demand access to video recordings of all educational sessions and can participate in the live post-Convention Table Topics to be held virtually Dec. 16-20.

**Virtual Registration** includes on-demand access to all educational sessions plus live post-Convention Table Topics to be held virtually Dec. 16-20. On-demand viewing will be available by Dec. 20, with all sessions available for viewing by Dec. 31. The *Proceedings* book will be mailed to all virtual registrants.

Both in-person and virtual registration can be completed at convention.aaep.org.

Note: Sessions are available on-demand indefinitely for both virtual and in-person convention registrants. CE hours from on-demand sessions can be earned through Dec. 31, 2025.

### Register for In-Person by Sept. 15 and Save Over \$225

### **Register Online**

Register online at convention.aaep.org. Annual dues must be current to register at the member rate. Hotel reservations can also be made through the site. Your convention registration confirmation will be automatically emailed.

### **Register by Mail or Fax**

Photocopy the registration form and send with your payment by Nov. 11. Your canceled check will serve as your receipt. By including your credit card number on the form, you may fax us your registration at (859) 233-1968. You may make extra photocopies to register additional people. Confirmation will be emailed when your registration is processed.

### **Register On-Site**

Register at the Orange County Convention Center beginning Dec. 6 at 3:00 p.m. Attendees registering at the student or resident/ intern rate must present verification of enrollment in a veterinary school or a letter from an internship practice. New member registrants must present their DVM license or diploma.

### **Cancellation Policy**

All cancellations must be submitted in writing to Kristin Walker at kwalker@aaep.org. Cancellations by Nov. 6 are entitled to a full refund, less a \$75 cancellation fee. Exceptions possible, please contact Lori Rawls at (859) 705-0425.

### **Special Needs**

If you require special accommodations to fully participate, please check the disabilities box on the registration form and an AAEP staff member wil contact you.

### We Promise

We're so proud of the quality program that we promise to refund your registration fee if, for any reason, you are not satisfied with your convention education experience.

### **Contact Us**

For more information, email Kristin Walker at kwalker@aaep.org; or call (800) 443-0177 (U.S. and Canada) or (859) 233-0147.

### Disclosure

I understand that my participation in the event involves a certain degree of risk of loss, harm or injury to my person or property, including, but not limited to, harm from contracting COVID-19 or other viruses, acts of God, theft, fire or accident. I also understand that participation in this event is entirely voluntary and that the AAEP requires attendees to abide by any applicable rules of conduct or local or state laws that may be announced at any time during the event, which may include wearing personal protective gear and engaging in social distancing. While AAEP is the sponsor of this event and takes commercially reasonable steps to require the event facility to maintain the venue in a safe and healthy condition, I understand and acknowledge that AAEP has no direct control over and is not responsible for the acts or omissions of the facility or others involved in producing this event. I have carefully considered the risk involved and waive and release AAEP and all its officers, directors, employees, staff, volunteers, faculty and affiliates from any and all claims, damages, injuries, or expenses that I may incur from my participation in this event.

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Registration and attendance at, or participation in, AAEP meetings and related activities constitutes an agreement by the registrant to AAEP's use and distribution of the registrant or attendee's image or voice in photographs, video recordings, audio recordings and electronic reproductions of such events and activities.

### **AAEP 70th Annual Convention Advance Registration Form**

After Nov. 11, please register online or on-site at the convention.

Full name:	MIDDLE
Credential (DVM,VMD, etc.):	Preferred first name on badge:
Address:	City:
State: Postal Code or Zip:	Country:
Phone: Cell Phone (option	al): Fax:
Email:	Please remove me from all exhibitor mailing lists
Vet License # and State (U.S. registrants only):	
Do you want to receive a copy of the <i>Proceedings</i> book	
	ire special accommodations at the event location and/or hotel.
An AAEP staff member will follow up with you.	
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Preferred first name on guest badge:	
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	Email (guest):
First-time convention attendee	
	Thru Thru After Sept. 15 Nov. 30 Nov. 30 Total
A. 🗇 AAEP Member	\$649 \$775 \$875
B. 🗇 AAEP Honor Roll Member	350 350 450
C. □ Guest Attending Sessions*	649 775 875
D. 🗇 Guest Pass**	30 30 50
E. 🗇 AAEP New Member Applicant	950 1,030 1,130
F. 🗇 Non-Member	1,145 1,145 1,245
G. 🗇 Current Resident or Intern	400 400 500
H. D Vet Story Night (per person) Qty Dec. 8	65 65
I. 🗇 Orlando Fun Run & Walk (Dec. 9)	35 35 35
J. 🗇 President's Luncheon (per person) Qty D	ec. 10 60 60
K. 🗇 After Party (Dec. 10; ticket required)	Free
L. 🗇 Foundation Voluntary Donation	
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Four packed days of lectures, labs, networking and social events in Orlando, Florida, December 7-10, 2024.

Please note that all AAEVT Sessions & Events will be held in the Hyatt, Florida Ballrooms, A&B

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

Conference registration 2:00-5:00 p.m. 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Member/Board Roundtable 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. AAEP Welcome Reception

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8**

7:00 - 10:00 a.m.	Registration open
10:00 a.m Noon	Keynote: Jena Antonucci
Noon - 1:00 p.m.	AAEVT Membership
	Meeting & Lunch
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Lecture & Scientific Sessions
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	AAEVT Welcome Social,
	Scholarship Raffle
8:00-10:30 p.m.	AAEP Vet Story Night

We welcome ALL veterinary technicians, assistants, students, practice managers and support staff!

> **AAEVT Member** Lectures Only \$350.00

**AAEVT Member** Lectures & Wet Lab Combo \$650.00

**AAEVT Student Member** Lectures Only \$175.00 Virtual Sessions Available!

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 9**

6:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m.

Bus Pickup for Wet Labs at Peterson & Smith Registration open 8:00 a.m. - Noon Lecture Sessions Noon - 1:00 p.m. Lunch N Learn 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Lecture Sessions

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10**

Noon - 1:00 p.m. Lunch N Learn 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

8:00-10:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. - Noon Lecture Sessions AAEP/AAEVT Roundtable Lecture Sessions & Case Studies The AAEP After Party

#### **FEATURED SPEAKERS** & TOPICS

KEYNOTE: Jena Antonucci, Female Thoroughbred Trainer-Training with Instinct & Talent

> Travis Tull, DVM, DACVS Foraminotomy

Dennis Brooks, DVM, DACVO **Ophthalmology** 

Rachel Reed, DVM, DACVAA **Opioids** & Pain Management

Kathryn Mitchell, DVM, DACVIM General Anesthesia/Sedation with Heart Disease

Natasha Werpy, DVM, DACVR CT/Myelogram/Imaging

Bridget Heilsberg, DVM Repro for the Tech/Asst & Protocol **Based Medicine** 

Charlotte Lacroix, DVM, JD Personal Advocacy

Jill Carter, MBA From Ambulatory (Assistant) Tech to Practice Manager

> Cheryl Blakey Financials for the Equine Veterinary Team



### **Registration Opens August 15-visit aaevt.org/ce-events**

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