



Canadian Veterinary
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**The national and international voice for
Canada's veterinarians, providing leadership
and advocacy for veterinary medicine.**

Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) **One Profession. One Strong Voice.**

Whatever and wherever you practice veterinary medicine and wherever you are in your career, the CVMA's advocacy and resources can help make you more successful. This information is to update you on the CVMA's recent activities and resources that benefit our members in Manitoba and across Canada.

WE RECOGNIZE EXCELLENCE IN THE VETERINARY PROFESSION

2026 CVMA Awards – Nominate a Deserving Colleague

Each year, through its awards program, the CVMA proudly recognizes individuals who have demonstrated significant accomplishments, exemplary leadership, and tireless commitment to Canada's veterinary community. Nominations for the 2026 awards are accepted from **November 1, 2025, until January 31, 2026**. Award recipients receive **complimentary registration** to the 2026 CVMA Convention in Charlottetown, P.E.I., along with other prizes specific to each award. Find more information under the [CVMA Awards](#) page of our website.

WE ADDRESS AND ACT ON NATIONAL VETERINARY ISSUES

Rabies in Canada

The CVMA has developed a new article with key messages about rabies awareness to share with clients and the public. Canadians sometimes think of Rabies as a "disease of the past." Globally, however, it still kills almost 60,000 people per year. Rabies is almost always fatal; in all of history less than 20 people are reported to have survived a clinical rabies infection. Rabies affects the central nervous system of humans and other mammals. It is transmitted through the bite of an infected animal, or if saliva, blood, or other fluids from

an infected animal directly enter the eyes, nose, mouth, or an open wound. Read the entire article [here](#).

WE OFFER FIRST-CLASS CONTINUING EDUCATION AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Save the Date! 2026 CVMA Convention

We're heading to Canada's birthplace! Join us in beautiful **Charlottetown, PE** for the 2026 CVMA Convention, taking place from **June 24 to 28, 2026**. Whether you're a veterinarian, student, technician, or industry partner, this unforgettable East Coast experience will offer outstanding continuing education, valuable networking, and a vibrant social program in a picturesque setting. More information is coming soon! Visit our [Convention Website](#) in the meantime to stay updated.

WE ADVOCATE ON YOUR BEHALF FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ANIMAL WELFARE

CVMA's Latest Position Statements:

- **Animals in Sport and Competition (New)**

View all position statements under the *Policy and Outreach* section of the CVMA website.

WE PROVIDE RESOURCES TO HELP YOU SUCCEED THROUGHOUT YOUR CAREER

The 2025 Reports on Compensation and Benefits for Associate Veterinarians Are Now Available

The 2025 Reports on Compensation and Benefits for Associate Veterinarians are now available on the CVMA website. Click [here](#) to find the reports.

Building Future Leaders: Student Workshops and Emerging Leaders Program

The CVMA is excited to continue aligning the Student Leadership Workshops (SLW) with the Emerging Leaders Program (ELP). As we enter year three, we remain committed to fostering ongoing learning and development for veterinary teams, starting in veterinary school and continuing throughout their careers. Learn more [here](#).

WE PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF YOUR PROFESSION AND HELP YOU ACHIEVE A BALANCED CAREER AND A SUCCESSFUL LIFE

Togetherall Expands Partnership With the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association and the Alberta Veterinary Technologist Association to Broaden Mental Health Support Across the Veterinary Profession

Togetherall has expanded its partnership with the CVMA and ABVTA—thanks to support from Western Financial Group—to bring its anonymous, 24/7, clinically moderated mental health platform to everyone in the Canadian veterinary profession for free! All veterinary staff now have a safe, stigma-free space to connect, share, and get support anytime with clinical oversight by licensed mental health professionals. Register for free [here](#).

The Working Mind Courses

The Working Mind (TWM) program addresses workplace mental health issues caused by inherent stresses such as day-to-day workflow pressures, interpersonal relationships, and conflicts, and ethical and moral distress. Employees and Managers who take this training have shown an increase in resiliency skills, a decrease in stigmatizing attitudes, and an increase in mental health well-being. Watch for the 2026 course list, coming soon! Visit [The Working Mind](#) page of our website to learn more.

WE OFFER EXCLUSIVE DISCOUNTS FROM VALUED PARTNERS

Scotiabank

The exclusive business banking service provider of the CVMA and Gold Level corporate sponsor, Scotiabank offers enhanced banking and lending solutions to veterinarians and student members. Take advantage of this benefit [here](#).

Member Travel Discount Program

CVMA members enjoy exclusive discounts on national and international hotels, as well as U.S. entertainment tickets. Any hotel, any ticket anywhere, anytime. You can save over 50 per cent, with rates averaging between 5-20 per cent better than other online booking services. Take advantage of this benefit [here](#).

Visit the [Business Management](#) section of the CVMA website to learn more about all CVMA discount offers. *Proof of CVMA membership is required.*

Questions or Suggestions? Contact the CVMA at 800-567-2862 or admin@cvma-acmv.org, or contact your Manitoba Council Representative: Dr. Kris Torske at 204-488-1843 or ketorske@gmail.com.