



## MEMORANDUM

<b>DATE</b>	July 1, 2022
<b>TO</b>	Veterinary Medical Board (Board)
<b>FROM</b>	Jessica Sieferman, Executive Officer
<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>Agenda Item 18D. Outreach</b>

### **Association Meetings** (Strategic Plan Objective 5.1.1)

The Board's Executive Officer and Licensing/Administration Manager continue to hold monthly meetings with representatives from the California Registered Veterinary Technicians Association (CaRVTA) to provide updates, answer questions, and address any concerns they may have.

On June 2, 2022, the Board's President and Executive Officer (EO) virtually attended the California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) Board of Governors (BOG) meeting. CVMA was provided status updates on Board operations, including licensing, enforcement, and Board meeting topics. In addition, questions related to the standard of care vs. minimum standards, medical record keeping, and incremental care were raised and discussed. Based on those discussions, Board staff will work on developing educational materials to help clarify these issues.

### **Educational Webinars** (Strategic Plan Objective 5.1.3)

As discussed in more detail during Board Agenda Item 7, the Board launched its first continuing education webinar on June 9, 2022. This course, titled "Understanding Enforcement" focused on the enforcement process, common violations, and inspections. After the webinar, the Board distributed 168 continuing education certificates and surveys to receive feedback from participants. Board staff will use that feedback to improve future webinars.

### **AAVSB Collaboration** (Strategic Plan Objective 5.5)

Multiple Board members and the Board's Executive Officer continues to collaborate with AAVSB regarding issues impacting all member Boards. This collaboration will be discussed in more detail in Agenda Item 16.

The Board's EO attended the AAVSB's Conference Committee meeting on June 14, 2022. At this point in the year, the 2022 annual conference planning is in its final stages, with only minor details to complete. During the meeting, the conference committee discussed final conference committee member assignments that will occur during the conference. Since the Board is unable to attend the meeting in person, the Board's EO offered to do any technical work that may be needed behind the scenes during the conference. The next Conference

Committee meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2022.

Fortunately, the 2023 annual conference will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, which is a state not listed on the [Attorney General's list of states subject to AB 1887's travel prohibition](#).

**National Occupational Licensing Conference** (*Strategic Plan Objective 5.5*)

In addition to collaborating with AAVSB, the Board's Strategic Plan included collaborating with other national organizations to provide better balance of presentations and better inform all veterinary regulatory boards on current/emerging issues.

The Board's EO, the EO of the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, and DCA's Compliance and Equity Officer attended the [National Occupational Licensing Conference](#) in June 2022. This conference, jointly created by the [National Conference of State Legislatures](#) and [Council of State Governments](#), highlighted four years of national research regarding reducing barriers to licensed occupations and lessons learned from their work with states. They also highlighted new and emerging trends, including, but not limited to licensing processes after COVID, building a strong labor force, increasing license mobility, licensing compacts, reciprocity, supporting military and their families, and reducing barriers to individuals with criminal convictions.

Many topics covered have already been addressed and/or implemented in California. However, there may be some topics, such as licensing compacts and reciprocity, that the Board may want to discuss in the future.