

**Veterinary Medical Board**

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**MEETING NOTICE and AGENDA  
VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD  
ANIMAL REHABILITATION TASK FORCE**

**Monday, June 20, 2016**

1747 N. Market Blvd. – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Hearing Room  
Sacramento, California

**10:00 a.m.**

**TASK FORCE MEMBERS**

Board and Committee Members

Mark Nunez, DVM, President – *Veterinary Medical Board*

Lee Heller, PhD, J.D. – *Veterinary Medical Board*

Jon Klingborg, DVM, Chair – *Multidisciplinary Advisory Committee*

Licensed Professional Stakeholders

Karen Atlas – *California Association of Animal Physical Therapists (CAAPT)*

Sandy Gregory, RVT – *California Registered Veterinary Technician Association (CaRVTA)*

Kristen Hagler, RVT – *Academy of Physical Rehabilitation Veterinary Technicians*

Spring Halland, DVM – *Western University of Health Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine*

Carrie Schlachter, DVM – *Northern Association of Equine Practitioners*

James M. Syms, PT, DSc – *California Physical Therapy Association (CPTA)*

Erin Troy, DVM – *Certified Animal Rehabilitation Therapist*

Janet Van Dyke, DVM – *Canine Rehabilitation Institute (CRI)*

Jessica Waldman, DVM – *Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist  
(UC Davis Member) – University of California, Davis (UCD)*

Other Stakeholders

Shelah Barr – *Consumer and Animal Masseuse*

Nicole Billington – *California Senate Fellow, Business, Professions and Economic Development  
Committee*

Carrie Ann Calay – *Consumer*

Valerie Fenstermaker – *California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA)*

Elissa Silva, Consultant – *California Assembly Committee on Business and Professions*

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Opening Statement – Dr. Nunez, Chair of the Task Force
4. Review of the Objective of the Board's Task Force (Annemarie Del Mugnaio, Executive Officer, Veterinary Medical Board)
5. Review of the Mission and Vision of the Veterinary Medical Board: Consumer Protection (Executive Officer)

6. Review of Applicable Statutes and Regulations (Kurt Heppler, Supervising Counsel, Department of Consumer Affairs)
  - A. Open Meeting Act
7. Discussion of the Scopes of Practice of Veterinarians, Registered Veterinary Technicians, Unlicensed Assistants and Physical Therapists
8. Discussion of Educational Requirements for Veterinarians, Registered Veterinary Technicians, and Unlicensed Assistants and Physical Therapists
  - A. Additional Certifications
  - B. Additional Specialties
9. Discussion of Animal Rehabilitation Program Models in Other States
10. Logistical and Operational Challenges
  - A. Licensing
  - B. Enforcement and Discipline
  - C. Consumer Protection and Outreach
  - D. Supervision
  - E. Practice Settings
11. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

Note: The Task Force may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code Sections 11125, 11125.7(a)).
12. Next Steps and Items for Discussion and Consideration at the Next Task Force Meeting
13. Adjournment

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**MISSION**

The mission of the Veterinary Medical Board is to protect consumers and animals by regulating licensees, promoting professional standards and diligent enforcement of the practice of veterinary medicine.