

Multi Disciplinary Committee
Sub-Committee on Premises, Managers & Supervision

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The charter of this Sub-Committee was to provide some information to assist the MDC in determining ‘how many veterinary premises can be reasonably managed by one person.’

The professional Boards of California were contacted, as were a number of state Veterinary Medical Associations.

- Of the State Board respondents, none restrict the management of a certain number of premises per individual.
- The Medical Board’s only (somewhat) related restriction is the supervision of four nurse practitioners per physician.
- The Structural Pest Control Board has limited management to two companies: 8610 (d) No individual who holds an operator's license shall act as a qualifying manager for more than two registered companies.

We did not find any other state Veterinary Boards that issue premise permits, so the concept of limiting ‘management’ has not typically been considered or addressed.

- Oregon’s Veterinary Board does require that the “Manager” is ‘on-site’, though it was unclear if that meant full-time, part-time, etc.

In a discussion with one Executive Director of a VMA, he thought that the American Veterinary Medical Law Association had some issues regarding restricting management and ‘fair trade’—though the question they were addressing was related to non-DVMs owning a practice.

The MDC will have to be made aware of any laws regarding unfair restriction of trade that might impact its decisions on limiting premise management.