

Enforcement Report

Statistical Data

New complaints since 7/1/11:	520
Total hospital inspections assigned:	237
Total hospital inspections completed:	183
*Total Veterinary licensees:	15,676
Total Veterinary licensees (current) in CA:	8,439
*Total Registered Veterinary Technicians:	8,541
Total Registered Veterinary Technicians (current) in CA:	5,242
Total premise permits:	3,334
<i>*Total includes delinquent, suspended, and CE license holds.</i>	

Complaint Program

The total number of complaints received as of April 1, 2012 is 520. Of the 520 complaints received, 96 were for unlicensed activity. The Board is continuing to witness an increase in unlicensed activity complaints and is actively working with the Division of Investigation and local District Attorney Offices to assist in the prosecution of such cases.

New Hire: On March 27, 2012, Detrea James was hired as a part time office technician in the enforcement unit. Ms. James was a court reporter for over 20 years and is very excited to be working at the Board. She will be opening complaints, preparing cases for the Division of Investigation and the Attorney General's Office, and assisting the Inspection Coordinator in reviewing compliance documentation for hospital inspections.

Citation Program

Thirty-eight (38) citations have been served since July 1, 2011. As of July 1, 2011, the Board held ten (10) informal conferences. One (1) citation has been referred to the Attorney General's office for administrative hearing since July 1, 2011.

Inspection Program

As of July 1, 2011, 237 inspections were assigned. To date, 168 routine and 15 complaint related inspections have been completed. Complaint related inspections are performed on an as need basis.

Inspectors are required to complete and submit all inspections by May 1, 2012. Our inspectors are on schedule and will have all assigned inspections completed and submitted by May 1, 2012.

The Board has hired three new inspectors, totaling five inspectors for the new fiscal year. All five inspectors are veterinarians and are currently working in the veterinary profession. The Board will be assigning 400 inspections for the new fiscal year.

Enforcement staff is planning a training session for the new inspectors in June. The training is intended to educate new inspectors and answer questions regarding the application and interpretation of the minimum standards.

Discipline Program

Currently there are 75 formal disciplinary cases pending with the Offices of the Attorney General (AG) throughout California. Of the 75 pending cases, 20 have been sent to the AG since July 1, 2011.

Examination/Licensing Report

Examinations

NORTH AMERICAN VETERINARY LICENSING EXAMINATION			
November 2011/December 2011		April 2012	
Candidates	Pass Pct.	Candidates	Pass Pct.
278	90%	-	-

CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD EXAMINATION			
May 2011 – October 2011		November 2011 – April 2012	
Candidates	Pass Pct.	Candidates	Pass Pct.
166	72%	280	96%

REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN EXAMINATION			
July 2011 - December 2011		January 2012 - June 2012	
Candidates	Pass Pct.	Candidates	Pass Pct.
275	73%	157	77%

Examination Workshops

April 13 - Update RVT Examination
April 26-27 - CSRVT Examination Item Writing
May 3-4 - CSRVT Examination Item Review
May 17-18 - CSRVT Examination Item Review

Licensing

Licenses Issued	
January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012	
Veterinarian	250
Reciprocity	8
Intern	-
Registered Veterinary Technician	114
Premises	52

Publications

Hospital Inspection Checklist - The Board reviewed and approved the Hospital Inspection Self Checklist content at its January Meeting. The Checklist was amended by staff, reviewed by legal counsel, published by DCA's publications office in February, and posted on the Board's website in March.

Staff has researched the cost of printing and mailing the Checklist:

Print - \$3.14/Checklist; Qty 3,500 - \$11,000
Mail - \$1.50/Checklist; Qty 3,500 - \$5,250

Total - Qty 3,500 - \$16,250

Once the proposed Minimum Standards regulations become law, the Checklist will be updated to reflect the new laws.

Radiation Safety Guide - The RVTC approved the Radiation Safety Guide at its March 2011 Meeting and requested staff to send the document to the Department of Health Services (DHS) for its review and comment. The Guide was subsequently sent to DHS and was received with their comment in September 2011. The Guide is currently under review by staff and will be forwarded to the Board for their review and approval.