

VETCEE

Veterinary Continuing Education in Europe

Report to

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VETCEE

Veterinary Continuing Education in Europe Committee

formerly The (interim) European Board for
Veterinary Professional Development (EBVPD)

Founding members

EAEVE The European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education

EBVS The European Board for Veterinary Specialisation

FVE The Federation of Veterinarians of Europe

UEVP The Union of European Veterinary Practitioners

Co Opted member :

FECAVA The Federation of European Companion Animal Veterinary Associations

Statutory Bodies working group of FVE



UEVP



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UEVP

2. VETCEE objectives

2.1. To **promote structured continuing professional development and life-long learning** in order to improve the

level of knowledge, skills and competencies of veterinary practitioners to a level higher than graduation level but at a level below that of a European Diplomat Specialist

2.2. To encourage and facilitate the delivery of high quality veterinary care at first opinion practice level for the benefit of animal health and welfare and also the benefit of owners and society.

2.3. To **accredit structured programmes that are achievable by veterinarians in full time employment.**

2.4. The development of a system whereby practising veterinarians across Europe can gain **recognition** for attainment of structured postgraduate education which indicates a competence to deliver a high level of veterinary service in their chosen field of practice.

2.5. The system proposed would recognise and embrace systems, which already exist in some European countries and provide the base for their

mutual recognition across Europe.

2.6. The VETCEE programme would be totally different from the EBVS specialisation model, which requires superior academic achievement, and continuing research based post qualification obligations.

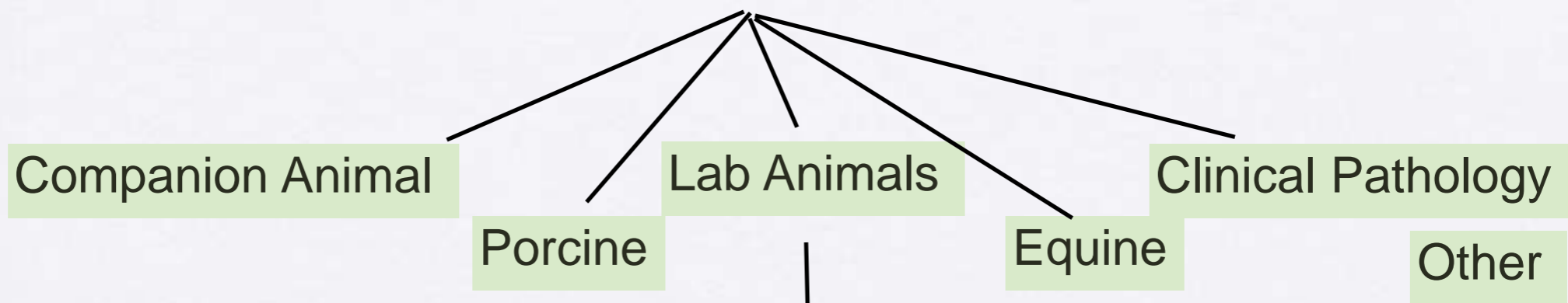
STRUCTURE

VETCEE iBOARD



STANDARDS for programmes

VETCEE SUB COMMITTEES



Competencies for programs

VALIDATION PANEL

VALIDATION

Panels

INDEPENDENT of VETCEE Board

Consulting with EA EVE regarding the qualities required by validation panel members and identifying candidates.

Background

Objectives

Level

Scope

Quantum of learning

Pre reqs & enrolment

Modularisation

Quality Assurance

Assessment

Qualifications

Titles & post nominals

Re Certification

Appeals

Existing programs

Schedule: of dossiers competencies

middle tier between graduate and specialist (diplomate) .

VetCEE accredited programmes will be totally different from the EBVS specialisation model which requires superior academic achievement and continuing research based post qualification obligations;

Scope: Species orientation or broad discipline where needed and agreed .

Quantity of education

30 ECTS approx. 750 hours over approx. 3 years but flexible (2-10y).

ie approx. 6 hours per week over 3 years

to be Achievable by a Veterinarian in full time employment.

Modular format : allows for transfer of modules between accredited programs

Quality Assurance of program : re Q.A.systems and qualifications of program directors and teachers ..

Assessment :

Re certification of programs and candidates

Target : Veterinary Practitioners (clinical programs) or veterinarians working in the relevant field e.g Lab animals

Achievable by full time practitioner

Title: as decided by National Competent authority

Post Nominals : As decided by National Competent authority

VETCEE committee accredits the programs that comply with the standards

It does NOT award a qualification- that is done by National Body

Target : Veterinary Practitioners (clinical programs) or veterinarians working in the relevant field e.g Lab animals

Achievable by full time practitioner

Dossiers of competencies

developed by the sub committees
outlines the skills specific to each program

Sub Committee	Supervising Organisation
Companion Animal	FECAVA
Porcine	ECPHM & EAPHM
Lab Animals	ECLAM EVERI
Equine	FEEVA
etc	

Companion Animal Sub committee
(FECAVA)

Dossier of competencies (Pilot)

Core

Internal Competencies

Medicine

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Compet

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Surgery

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Core Competencies

1

Professional key skills

2

Clinical management and communications

3

Analgesia and anesthesia

4

Emergency and supportive care

5

Diagnostic imaging

1

Designated Competencies



Internal Medicine



Surgery

30 ECTS

Internal

Medicine

e

20 ECTS

Compet

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30 ECTS

Surgery

20 ECTS

Compet

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Core

Competencies

10 ECTS



Competence No.	Description	ECTS
CORE COMPETENCIES		
Core competency 1	Professional key skills	0.5-1
Core competency 2	Clinical management and communications_	0.5-1
Core competency 3	Analgesia and anesthesia	3
Core competency 4	Emergency and supportive care	3
Core competency 5	Diagnostic imaging/electrophysiology	2
Competence 6a	medicine :	20
Competency 6b	General surgery:	20
	TOTAL	30
DESIGNATED COMPETENCIES		
Competence 6a	Medicine	20
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- Cardiology		1
- Respiratory diseases		1
- Ear-nose-throat		1
- Endocrinology		2
- Gastroenterology		3
- Infectious diseases		2
- Neurology		1

Pilot companion Animal Programs

The institutes/associations who have volunteered are:

BSAVA

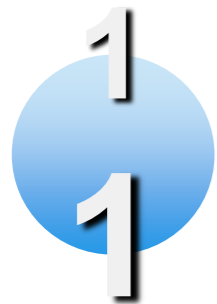
RCVS

Polish Veterinary Chamber/ PSAVA/
Veterinary Faculty

Veterinary Ireland/ VICAS & University
College Dublin



Pilot



Consultation phase

opportunity to work with the institutes/associations who have volunteered to participate in the pilot to discuss the draft dossier of competencies.

The final draft competencies were presented to the VETCEE Board on Nov 6th for approval for the pilot



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Pilot evaluation

The second phase will be to carry out a trial evaluation of the pilot participants programs .
Some of the participants have existing programs and some are developing new programs for evaluation.
This phase will help us to test the evaluation systems that are being developed by VETCEE.

TIMELINES for PILOT evaluations of CA programmes
Invitations - <Nov 30th 2012-done
Applications - <Jan 31 2013
Pilot evaluations Feb 2013
Report March 2013
Review April 2013





Final phase of pilot

After having received the feedback to the pilot, the third phase will be to carry through the amendments to the dossier and the evaluation systems.



Porcine sub committee plan ECPHM & EAPHM

first draft late **December 2012** .
Discussion in working group during
January and February- 2013

Presenting the final draft to General
assembly (EAPHM/ECPHM)
in **May 2013** in Edinburg

Presenting the final edition for the
VetCEE board in **June 2013**

Laboratory Animals Sub Committee plan

ECLAM/EVERI : monitoring EU working group that is looking at implementation of a named veterinary surgeon required for the supervision of animal experimentation. Discussed how VETCEE objectives may be complimentary to this .

ECLAM EVERI will discuss and report back in June 2013

Critical Path summary

Jan-Feb 2013	Pilot applications & evaluations of companion Animal. programs. Porcine working drafts
March 2013	Pilot of companion Animal programs completed
March 2013	First Review of Standards and evaluations procedures March 2013 .
<June 2013	Final versions of parent standards Companion Animal program competencies final draft of Porcine competencies Lab Animals Sub committee report from ECLAM & EVERI
June 2013	Report to Founding members and GA.
>June	Medium term plan for roll out ...

Equine Programs ?

Equine Sub Committee formation by FEEVA
Development of Equine program(s) standards
and competencies

Consultation between all sub committees and
VETCEE Ex Comm.

Thank you
for your time

Discussion & Questions

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