FVE Activities on Veterinary Well-being

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First step: MH & DEI Survey

Goal:
Identification, availability and impact of veterinary MH & DEI support programmes on a global scale

Recruitment strategy:
E-mail from FVE & WVA to their members

Material & Methods:
Online English survey - 10 questions

Focus on availability and effects of MH & DEI support programmes globally available

July 20th – September 25th
Results Survey

- 146 responses of which 137 met the inclusion criteria
- Responses received from
  - Associations/companies
  - Practitioners/vet clinics
- No results from the Middle-East
Results MH
Veterinary associations and practitioners

Is mental well-being explicitly designated as a key priority area with a dedicated budget in your organisation/company?

Veterinary organisations: 54% yes/partially (n=43/79)
Practitioners: 26% yes/partially (n=15/57)

- Part of the veterinary code of conduct/mission statement/etc: 42% (Vet orgs) vs. 51% (Practitioners)
- By having a dedicated body/committee/department, ombudsperson: 17% (Vet orgs) vs. 54% (Practitioners)
- By having rules in place to investigate and promote well-being: 29% (Vet orgs) vs. 67% (Practitioners)
- Other (webinars, training, awareness raising): 23% (Vet orgs) vs. 25% (Practitioners)

[Bar chart showing the percentages for each category]
Results MH
Veterinary associations and practitioners

If you have projects or activities, what do you think was the impact of the activities taken by your organisation/company regarding mental wellbeing?
Second step: Interviews

- 12 virtual interviews with representatives of veterinary associations/organisations on a global scale, between 1st of October and 20th of November 2021
- Questions: more specifically on the design of the support programmes and the effects and impact on MH and/or DEI on national level
- Preliminary results:
  - Main goal most mental health support programmes: creating awareness & break down stigma
  - Support programmes mostly effective in creating awareness
  - Rating of the impact of support programmes difficult: often no impact-studies done and/or support programmes still in its infancy
Next steps

December

- Two webinars
- Finalise report with recommendations

2022

- Editing the final report in an attractive format
- Launch event in cooperation with Zoetis to present the results & report in Spring 2022
Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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