

38TH ANNUAL PARKLAND COLLEGE VETERINARY TECHNICIAN CONFERENCE

October 12, 2019

Parkland College Union

- 8:00 – 8:30 AM **Registration:** Pick up conference material and help yourself to the continental breakfast.
- 8:30–8:35 AM **Welcome.** Laurie Lobdell, MA, CVT, Program Director and Amber Chlada, CVT, Program Lab Assistant
- 8:35 – 9:35 AM **Diagnostic Radiology and Special Procedures.** Jeanice Wiard, CVT
- Radiology procedures are a common practice within the veterinary field. Whether your patient has a broken limb, foreign body, pneumonia, or gastric torsion, radiographs can be an amazing diagnostic tool. I will discuss common practice that can be applied to radiographic procedures to ensure diagnostic quality, as well as radiation safety and special procedures that can be performed within a general practice setting.
- 9:35 – 10:30 AM **Basic Canine Ultrasonography.** Jeanice Wiard, CVT
- Ultrasonography is an advantageous addition to any veterinary practice. I will discuss the basic concepts, advantages, and limitations within ultrasonography, along with tips and tricks to find important anatomical structures within your patient. This discussion will be limited to canine ultrasonography.
- 10:30 – 10:40 AM BREAK
- 10:40 – 12:00 PM **Toxic Foods and Household Hazards.** Erin Freed, CVT, BAS
- Poison prevention and preparation are critical when it comes to pet poisoning emergencies. In this lecture, learn what toxic foods and household hazards dogs and cats are commonly exposed to. We will discuss the risks and signs associated with each toxin, how and when to decontaminate a poisoned pet, and go over basic treatment for each toxin. Attendees can use this information to create a clinical triage plan to prepare for these emergencies and equip clients with educational materials on how to prevent pet poisonings.
- 12:00 – 12:45 PM **LUNCH** (By Betsy's Bistro)
- 12:45 – 1:45 PM **Fractious Feline Handling Techniques.** Alysha McDaniel, CVT
- Fractious cats are an inevitable part of small animal practice and they must be handled in a way that is safe to them, but also safe for the veterinary professionals involved. In this lecture I will discuss handling and chemical techniques that I have adapted throughout my general practice and emergency medicine experience to provide safe and effective handling of these difficult patients.

1:45 – 2:45 PM

Principles of Wound Healing and Care. Alysha McDaniel, CVT

Whether you work with dogs and cats, horses, cows, or even exotics, wound care and management will likely be part of your duties as a veterinary technician. It is important for us to understand the wound healing process as well as the different wound classifications in order to treat patients with wounds appropriately. In this lecture, I will discuss this, as well as basic wound care and even include some special cases that I have seen throughout my years as an emergency room technician.

2:45–2:55 PM

BREAK

2:55 – 4:00 PM

“Staying Alive”. Jessica Risley, CVT-VTS

This will cover the importance of anesthetic monitoring and how to troubleshoot abnormalities.

4:00 – 5:00 PM

“Spice It Up”. Jessica Risley, CVT-VTS

This will discuss adding to your anesthetic protocol by using multimodal analgesics. This will focus on non-opioid drugs and techniques.

Note: As of January 2, 2008, 15 hours of CEU are required during each renewal period to maintain licensure. This conference is worth 7.5 CEU's.

Parkland Veterinary Technology Program Information.

- To see future opportunities to order Parkland Vet Tech apparel and for future Vet Tech fundraisers, make sure to ask to be a member of the Parkland Vet Tech Students and Alumni Facebook page.

- Thank you for attending our 38th Annual Fall Conference. All proceeds (after expenses) will go into our Vet Tech Student Scholarship fund.

- A big thank you to our awesome speakers this year!!

Please email Amber (Hantle) Chlada at achlada@parkland.edu with feedback on this conference and any suggestions for future conference speakers or topics. We appreciate your feedback and suggestions!

We hope to see all of you back next year!!