



Oklahoma Veterinary Board Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Greetings! I want to take this opportunity to share about the importance of renewals. First of all, let's discuss the veterinary license renewal. Notices for renewal are sent out in early to mid April and are due back before July 1st. They can be sent anytime in April, May, or on or before June 30th with the \$125.00 renewal fee. If they arrive on July 1st or later, they will be returned to you for submission of an extra \$25.00 as set out in the statute. Every year there are several that come in late and cause anxiety and extra work for the veterinarian. During this time your license to practice is automatically inactive and not in good standing. After 60 days of non-renewal of your license, it then is automatically suspended and notification is sent to your address on file with the Board. It then has to be reinstated and the fee jumps to \$625.00! "Practice of veterinary medicine is prohibited unless the license is active and in good standing with the Board". (See Practice Act, Section 698.10a). It is your responsibility to submit the renewal in a timely manner, and not the receptionist, the postman, your spouse, or anyone else's.

Along similar lines, goes a registration with the OBNDD and the DEA. Their renewals are every 3 years and typically expire at the end of the year. The OBNDD expires on October 31 and the DEA, December 31. They may not expire in the same year either. When do your registrations expire? Check it out and see. If you administer, prescribe, or dispense controlled drugs of any kind; you need the Oklahoma (OBNDD) registration. You cannot work off someone else's. However, you don't need the DEA registration if someone in the practice has one, or you don't

administer, prescribe, or dispense controlled drugs. These are the ones that require separate drug records. If you find that your drug registrations have expired or about to expire, call the appropriate agency and get renewed. Practicing medicine without these is against the Practice Act, the Oklahoma laws, and US Federal laws. Again, it is your responsibility to see that these are renewed in a timely manner and no one else's.

We as your Veterinary Board strive to protect the public from the illegal practice of veterinary medicine. We also work very hard to protect law abiding, legally registered, and licensed veterinarians from the illegal practice of veterinary medicine by those not licensed and registered.

Dwight A. Olson, DVM
Board President

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 21, 2003 7:00 PM
SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING

OSBVME BOARD OFFICE
201 NE 38TH TERR SUITE 1
OKC OK 73105

JANUARY 16, 2004
REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN
NATIONAL & STATE EXAMINATION

OSU - OKC
900 N PORTLAND
OKC OK

WELCOME TO OUR NEW BOARD MEMBER

Dr. Dan Danner, a native Oklahoman is the Board's newest member. He was appointed by Governor Henry and confirmed by the Senate this past May. He will serve a five-year term to May 2008.

Dr. Danner is a 1978 graduate of Oklahoma State University. After graduation, he completed an internship at the OKC Zoo and served as an associate veterinarian at Lion Country Safari, in Dallas, Texas. In 1980, after returning to the Tulsa area he established Animal Medical and Surgical Hospital, an AAHA certified hospital, which placed second in the nation in the Veterinary Economics/AAHA hospital of the year competition in 1988. In addition to a small animal practice, Dr. Danner has a special interest in exotic animals, and actively helps over 200 primates in a five-state area.

Dr. Danner has a son, B.J. a freshman at OSU this year, who enjoys playing on the newly established polo team. Dr. Danner has one dog, Ellie a nine-year old Lab/Australian Shepard Mix; four polo ponies, Kojack I, Kojack II, Gray and Broadway. In Dr. Danner's spare time he enjoys horseback and trail riding, polo, fox hunting, sailing and swimming. He also is a member of the Ringmasters Committee for the Tulsa State Fair Junior Livestock Auction and is on the OVMA Birthing Center Board for the Tulsa State Fair.

Dr. Danner replaces Dr. Mary Ballenger, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Dr. Ballenger completed a term from May 1993 to May 2003. The Board wishes to extend their appreciation to Dr. Ballenger on her commitment to the profession of veterinary medicine while serving as a Board member.

THE BOARD OFFICE IS HERE TO HELP

The Board's office staff is there to provide assistance regarding the licensure and regulation of the Board's over 1900 licensed veterinarians, veterinary technicians and animal euthanasia technicians. It also supports the Board's policy functions such as development and dissemination of information related to the statutes, regulations, guidelines, and the Board's historical and most current interpretations of the statutes and regulations.

If you have any questions related to the Board's functions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to help.

MAINTENANCE OF CDS INVENTORY AND LOGS

Inventories and other records required by the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act and OBND's Title 475 are required to be kept by the registrant and be available for at least two years from the date of inventory or record.

Inventories and records of Controlled Dangerous Substances (CDS) listed in Schedules I and II shall be maintained separately from all other records of the registrant. Inventories and records of CDS listed in Schedules III, IV and V shall be maintained separately from all other records as of November 1, 1990.

Every registrant required to keep records and who is in possession of a substance that is added to any schedule of CDS shall take an inventory of all stock of the newly scheduled substance on hand. Such substances will be included in each inventory thereafter.

CDS dispensing records is a readily retrievable log. The required information includes:

- Date of acquisition
- Quantity purchased
- Date administered, dispensed or prescribed
- Quantity administered, dispensed or prescribed
- Name of client and patient receiving the drug
- Diagnosis
- Name and initials of the doctor dispensing or administering

For more detailed information or clarification in becoming drug law compliant, please contact the OSBVME office.

LICENSED AND CERTIFIED

As of October 31, 2003

DVM	1710
SDVM	2
EMERITUS	75
FACULTY	28
TECHNICIAN	165

DISCIPLINED DOCTORS MAY 2003 - OCTOBER 2003

Kathalyn Johnson, DVM

Violation: Practicing veterinary medicine without a valid Oklahoma license.

Board Action: Shall practice as an SDVM for five (5) years following reinstatement of her veterinary license; Annually report to the Board of her progress; Every three months file a progress report with the Board Investigator; Pay a fine of \$1,000 within 30 days of reinstatement; Reimburse \$367.05 for costs within 30 days of reinstatement; Seek counseling and medical treatment by a medical professional; Take, pass and pay for the Jurisprudence exam within 30 days of reinstatement.

Carol Best, DVM

Violation: Aiding and abetting the practice of veterinary medicine by an unlicensed person.

Board Action: Pay a fine of \$2,000 due within 30 days of Order; Reimburse the Board for costs of \$334.46 within 30 days; Take, pass and pay for the Oklahoma Jurisprudence Exam within 30 days; Within 90 days submit a 5-page report over the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act and state and federal drug laws.

OSBVME MOST WANTED

If you have information that a pharmacy and/or vet wholesaler has sold or delivered vet prescription drugs to a client, end user, or producer without your authorization, please contact the Board office staff.

DID YOU KNOW.....

Documentary proof of Continuing Education must be maintained in a readily retrievable file for five years from the date of attendance.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Annual elections for Board officers were conducted at the June meeting. Dr. Dwight Olson was elected as President; Dr Jeff Tidwell as Vice-President; and Dr. Lee Denney was elected Secretary/Treasurer.

ANIMAL EUTHANASIA TECHNICIAN TRAINING

October 15-17, 2003 we conducted our first training for the Animal Euthanasia Technicians. We contracted with Moore-Norman Vocational Center and had seven candidates for the training. We would like to extend our appreciation to Dr. John Calhoun, who was the first instructor and trainer for the three-day training. Also thanks to Sandra Doan, RVT, who served as his assistant. All seven candidates passed the written and practical examination. The practical examination was given at the Oklahoma City Animal Shelter.

The candidates have now met the requirements for certification and the DEA and OBND will issue drug certificates as a mid-level practitioner that will allow these individuals to purchase, possess, or administer drugs for the sole purpose of animal euthanasia.

OKLAHOMA TAX COMPLIANT?

Oklahoma law requires any state license holder must be in compliance with the state income tax law to retain their licenses. This law provides that our Board will notify the Oklahoma Tax Commission (OTC) when an application for license renewal is received. The Tax Commission must have an identifying number to check for tax compliance, therefore the need for the social security number. Licensees who appear to be noncompliant will be contacted directly by the Tax Commission to attempt to resolve any issues.



CPG AVAILABLE ON COMPOUNDING OF DRUGS

The revised Compliance Policy Guide (CPG) concerning the **Compounding of Drugs for Use in Animals** (Sec 608.400) is available by notice in the Federal Register (FR). The revised CPG is a level 1 guidance document implemented immediately without public comment because of the agency's need to communicate how it intends to exercise enforcement discretion regarding compounded drug for animal use. The CPG also is intended to be consistent with the agency policy on the compounding of drugs for use in humans.

The formatted CPG is on the Dockets Management website at:

<http://www.fda.gov/OHRMS/DOCKETS/98fr/03d-0290-gdl0001.pdf> and the FR notice is at: <http://www.fda.gov/OHRMS/DOCKETS/98fr/03-17758.pdf>

REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN RULE CHANGES

This past legislative session we implemented some changes to the Veterinary Practice Act pertaining to Registered Veterinary Technicians. One important implementation to note is technicians are required to maintain a verifiable documentary proof of attendance of continuing education hours for random audit purposes. Documentary proof shall be maintained for a period of five years from the date of attendance. The random audit of the technicians will begin approximately September 30, 2004.

WHAT IS AN ACCEPTABLE PATIENT RECORD?

Frequently we have been asked, "What is required to be documented in the patient record?" The Veterinary Practice Act requires the patient record to include the following:

- Patients name, species, breed, age or date of birth, sex, color, and markings if applicable.
- Owners name, home address and telephone number.
- Vaccination record.
- Physical examination findings to include diagnosis, treatment regimen.
- Medications dispensed, prescribed or administered.
- Record of every visit or stay on the veterinary premise.
- Records are maintained in a manner that will permit any authorized veterinarian to proceed with the care and treatment of the animal, if required, by reading the medical record of that particular patient. The record clearly explains the initial examination.
- The veterinarian ensures that each dose of a medication administered is properly recorded in the patient's medical record, in addition to any medication dispensed or prescribed. All drugs administered, prescribed or dispensed are only done solely upon the order of a licensed veterinarian.
- Records are maintained for 3 years. Records containing prescription drug information are maintained for 5 years.

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