

Typical Cases

The most frequent types of allegations received by the agency are:

- Substandard care
- Poor bedside manner
- Unprofessional conduct
- Substandard facilities
- Inadequate record keeping
- Negligence in the practice of veterinary medicine

The Disciplinary Process

Persons who believe they have information about illegal or incompetent actions by a Veterinarian, Registered Veterinary Technician or Certified Euthanasia Technician should notify the **Oklahoma Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners**. Cases are investigated by the agency's Investigator, with the investigative reports being reviewed by the appropriate Board Member for possible disciplinary action.

Investigators for the Board are state commissioned peace officers and have statewide jurisdiction. Investigators have the authority to investigate criminal activity as well as enforce state narcotics and dangerous drug laws and regulations. Investigators are trained in all aspects of law enforcement and often assist or conduct investigations in cooperation with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

Other Issues

Unless there is clear and convincing evidence of fraud, Board regulation does not extend to disputes over professional fees. Fee complaints may be made to the Oklahoma Division of Consumer Affairs, professional associations, and the local Better Business Bureaus.

Filing a Complaint

The Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners must receive a written and signed [complaint](#) (*Download in Adobe Acrobat Reader*)

in order to consider opening an official investigation against a licensed veterinarian in the state of Oklahoma. In order to assist you in providing all the necessary information an official complaint form is available for your completion.

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