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TOP STORY

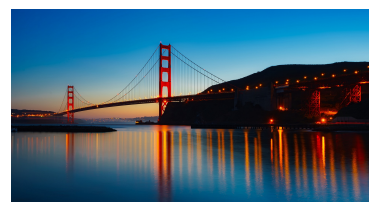
The CVMA Continues to Raise Concerns Over VMB's Equine Enforcement Cases

Source: CVMA

Since late 2021, the CVMA has been reviewing and responding to numerous concerns from equine practitioners regarding several enforcement cases brought by the California Veterinary Medical Board (VMB), over which the CVMA also shares concern.

The CVMA and dozens of other equine practitioners and stakeholders gave extensive [public commentary](#) on the issue at the [January 19 VMB meeting](#). The VMB requested that the CVMA prepare a presentation for its upcoming April 20 meeting regarding our specific concerns with the Veterinary Medicine Practice Act (VMPA) statutes and regulations as applied to equine practices and any legislative or regulatory proposals that may address those concerns. The CVMA submitted its [letter](#) and [presentation](#) on the topic; however, last week, the VMB informed the CVMA that the item has been removed from its April 20 meeting agenda.

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MEMBER BENEFITS

The CVMA is committed to representing the veterinary profession and making sure that your voice is heard, and we will attend the April 20 meeting to again request fair and open dialogue on this important topic. For more information about the upcoming VMB meeting, click [here](#). To read the CVMA's full statement, click [here](#).

CVMA NEWS

Last Day to Apply for Student Scholarships Is This Friday

Source: CVMA

The California Veterinary Medical Foundation (CVMF) awards annual scholarships to veterinary students at the University of California Davis, School of Veterinary Medicine, and Western University of Health Sciences College of Veterinary Medicine. The last day to apply for student scholarships is this Friday, April 15! For more information or to download an application form, visit cvmf.net.

VETERINARY BUZZ

Complete the University of Colorado's Telemedicine Survey

Source: Colorado Integrated Food Safety Center of Excellence

The Colorado Integrated Food Safety Center of Excellence with support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is conducting a survey of veterinarians and animal owners in the United States and U.S. territories to assess how telemedicine is currently being used. The survey takes about 5-8 minutes to complete. With the boom in the use of telemedicine over the last two years, they hope to discern how it is being used by both veterinarians and animal owners, and hopefully identify key issues to help drive best practices going forward. The CVMA encourages its members to take the quick survey, which



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CVMA POLL

Is emergency lighting required in the surgery room?

A. Yes

 (97%)

B. No

 (3%)

The answer is A – Yes. Emergency lighting is required by the Veterinary Medical Board (VMB). This can be as simple as a flashlight, provided that the batteries are viable and can sustain luminescence on a continual basis for a time reasonable to complete a surgical procedure. For more information regarding VMB regulations, visit the [Cal/OSHA FAQ page](#) at cvma-inline.net.

NEW QUESTION

How many people get bitten by dogs each year in the United States?

can be found [here](#).



It's National Dog Bite Prevention Week

Source: California Department of Public Health

[National Dog Bite Prevention Week](#) is April 10-16, 2022. Each year, over 300,000 bite victims seek medical care in U.S. emergency departments; most of these patients are children, typically between 5 and 9 years old. These injuries often occur because children do not understand how to be safe around dogs. The California Department of Public Health's *Don't Let the Dogs Bite: How to be Safe Around Dogs* booklets can aid parents in teaching their children how to behave safely around dogs. The booklet includes pictures to color, puzzles to solve, activities to explore, and a Dog Safety Expert certificate. The booklets are available in English and Spanish at no cost from the CDPH Veterinary Public Health Section and can be viewed on the [Veterinary Public Health Disease Prevention: Stuff for Kids webpage](#) and ordered by emailing VetPH@cdph.ca.gov.

- A. 2 million
- B. 3.5 million
- C. 4.5 million
- D. 5 million

Click [here](#) to give the CVMA your answer.

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