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## TOP STORY



### Expand Your Practice's Knowledge with the CVMA Certified Veterinary Assistant Level II Program

Source: CVMA

The CVMA Certified Veterinary Assistant Program provides basic training and skills in a variety of areas through online education and in-hospital practical

## UPCOMING CE



### CVMA Fall Seminar in Palm Springs

September 30-

October 2, 2022

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experience. Now, veterinary practices and participating educational institutions can advance their CVMA Certified Veterinary Assistants' knowledge even further with training in the CVMA CVA Level II program. Certification in both Level I and Level II increases the participant's value as a member of the veterinary practice team and better prepares them to become registered veterinary technicians if they choose. Click [here](#) for more information and to sign up. If you have additional questions, please contact Laura Phillips at [lphillips@cvma.net](mailto:lphillips@cvma.net) or 800.655.2862.

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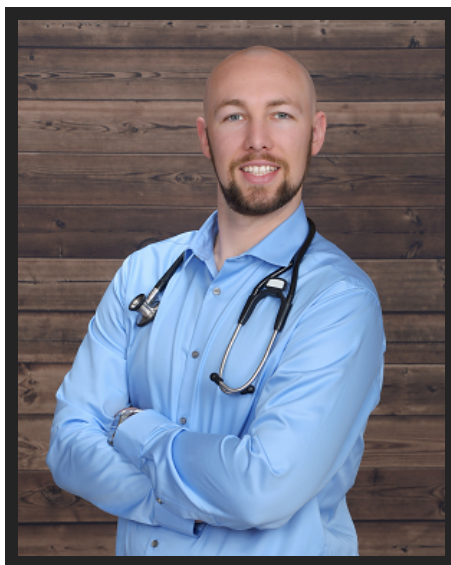
## CVMA NEWS

### CVMA Member Dr. Jacob Merryman Selected as 2022-2023 AVMA Congressional Fellow

Source: CVMA

The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) has selected CVMA member Dr. Jacob Merryman to participate in the 2022-2023 AVMA Fellowship Program. As an AVMA fellow, Dr. Merryman will spend one year in Washington, DC, as a full-time staff member for a congressional office or committee. Using his veterinary expertise, Dr. Merryman will serve as a scientific advisor to help shape and influence legislation across a variety of policy issues. The CVMA congratulates Dr. Merryman on this honor! To read more about Dr. Merryman and the AVMA Fellowship Program, click [here](#).

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## VETERINARY BUZZ



### CAVMRC Online Disaster Response Training

October 23, 2022

Registration opens August 22; watch your email for more updates.

For more information on other [CVMA CE opportunities](#), visit [cvma.net](http://cvma.net).

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## CVMA POLL

How long can open containers of ether be stored?

- A. 1-2 days (45%)
- B. 3-5 days (10%)



## Call for Comment: Proposed Recognition of New Fish Practice Specialty

Source: American Veterinary Medical Association

The American Veterinary Medical Association's (AVMA) American Board of Veterinary Specialties (ABVS) has received a letter of intent from a group seeking recognition for a new fish practice specialty within the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners. The ABVS is seeking public comment on the proposal through **September 2, 2022**.

The organizing committee that requested recognition of the new specialty is sponsored by the American Association of Fish Veterinarians, with support from the World Aquatic Veterinary Medical Association (WAVMA). Click [here](#) to read the group's "Justification for intent to form an American Board of Veterinary Practitioners Fish Practice Recognized Veterinary Specialty" and for information on how to comment.

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## FTC Acts to Protect Pet Owners from Private Equity Firm's Anticompetitive Acquisition of Veterinary Services Clinics

Source: Federal Trade Commission

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) earlier this month took action to protect competition in markets for specialty and emergency veterinary services by requiring the owner of a chain of veterinary clinics, JAB Consumer Partners, to divest clinics in California and

- C. 1 week  
 (20%)
- D. 2 weeks (0%)
- E. 1 month  
 (25%)

The answer is A – 1–2 days.  
For more information regarding hazardous chemicals in the workplace, visit the [Cal/OSHA FAQ page](#) at [cvma-inline.net](#).

### NEW QUESTION

Do you need lead shielding in your walls surrounding a radiation-producing machine?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. It depends on the layout of your practice

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

Texas as a condition of its proposed \$1.1 billion acquisition of competing clinic operator SAGE Veterinary Partners, LLC. The FTC is also imposing robust prior approval and prior notice requirements on JAB's future acquisitions of specialty and emergency veterinary clinics. Read more [here](#).

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