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Thursday 1 September 2022

9.30am-4.30pm



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Advanced Veterinary Nursing Congress Programme

9am – 9.30am **Online Registration and Exhibition**

9.30am – 9.40am **Chairman's Welcome**

9.40am – 10.25am **Nursing the Diabetic Patient**

Laura Jones BSc(Hons) DipAVN(Small Animal) ISFMDipFN VTS(SAIM) RVN, Veterinary Internal Medicine Nursing

This session will look at the vital role of the veterinary nurse in caring for patients with diabetes mellitus. The learning outcomes for this session are:

- To understand the pathophysiology, clinical signs and risk factors in diabetes mellitus and how these differ between dogs and cats
- To understand the different diagnostic tests and options for monitoring diabetic patients' long term
- To understand the treatment options and nursing care requirements for diabetic dogs and cats
- To understand the pathophysiology, treatment and nursing care of diabetic ketoacidosis

10.25am – 11.20am **Advanced Nursing Skills for RVNS: Making the Most of Advanced Nursing Devices in Hospitalised and Surgical Patients**

Sarah Holliday RVN C&GCertnes, Fitzpatrick Referrals Oncology and Soft Tissue Ltd

This session will outline advanced nursing devices used in both hospitalized patients and those undergoing a surgical procedure. Some advanced devices include; feeding tubes, wound drains, wound catheters, chest drains and urinary catheters.

This lecture is aimed at veterinary nurses who wish to learn more about how to care for patients with advanced devices in place. It is hoped that this session will motivate and inspire veterinary nurses to expand their knowledge and nursing skills within the veterinary profession.

11.20am – 11.45am **Live Q&A Panel** Present questions to the speakers

11.45am – 12.15pm **Online Exhibition and Lounges**

12.15pm – 1pm **An Introduction to Human Factors**

Helen Silver-MacMahon MSc (Dist.) PSCHF, Cert VNECC, Dip AVN (surg), Cert SAN, RVN, VetLed

The study of Human factors is an established discipline that utilises scientific knowledge about the human body, mind and behaviour to better understand our fundamental capabilities and limitations, to ultimately create the best possible fit between the people and the environment in which they work. In this session we will help you understand why veterinary nurses are critical to its implementation and how through developing an understanding of Human Factors patient safety, team performance and individual wellbeing can all be improved.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the significance of Human Factors in Veterinary Practice and how non-technical skills can reduce error and improve patient safety
- Visualise the connection between non-technical skills, wellbeing, systems/processes and organisational culture and the impact that these factors have on clinical outcomes, team motivation and operational efficiency
- Understand the importance and impact of tools such as checklists, briefings, and safety reporting systems
- Develop knowledge surrounding some of the key skills which can be used in practice to start to implement Human Factors principles

1pm – 1.15pm

Live Q&A Panel Present questions to the speakers

1.15pm–2pm

Online Exhibition and Lounges

2pm – 2.40pm

Loco-regional anaesthetic block techniques for Veterinary Nurses

Michelle Moran RVN CertECC VTS Anaesthesia & Analgesia, North West Veterinary Specialists

Performing locoregional anaesthetic techniques on our patients have multiple benefits for our patients and their experience and the overall anaesthetic that we are monitoring. Providing done correctly, local block techniques completely de-sensitise the area and provide the best and only TRUE analgesia (absence of pain) for the patient. This allows us to decrease our inhalational agent and use of other drugs that can have negative cardiovascular and respiratory effects. As nurses we can perform almost all locoregional techniques allowing excellent job satisfaction and utilisation of our skills.

In this session we will talk through:

- Local anaesthetic drugs: options, effects & duration of action
- Locoregional anaesthetic block techniques for various common surgeries
- Adverse effects and how to avoid these

2.40pm – 3.40pm

“Breathe in, Breathe out” – taking the stress out of Capnography interpretation

Gráinne Kelly BSc (Hons) Cert VN ECC RVN, Northern Ireland Veterinary Specialists

This presentation will cover the following key learning points:

- Understanding the normal capnograph trace
- Understanding the physiological effects of abnormal CO2
- Interpreting abnormal traces, and troubleshoot
- Briefly discuss the use of capnography and its role in Cardio pulmonary resuscitation

3.40pm – 4.05pm

Live Q&A Panel Present questions to the speakers

4.05pm–4.10pm

Chairman’s Close

4.10pm–4.30pm

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