## **VETERINARY TECHNICIAN SPECIALISTS**

# STAND OUT!









# Would you like to stand out among the crowd and advance your career as a credentialed veterinary technician?

The best way to do that is to earn certification as a Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS) or Veterinary Nurse Specialist (VNS)\* from one of the Specialty Academies approved by NAVTA's Committee on Veterinary Technician Specialties (CVTS).





Only CVTS-approved academies can award the VTS or VNS designation. By earning your VTS or VNS designation, you are demonstrating your advanced level of knowledge and skill in your chosen specialty area.

Upon successful completion of the academy's credentialing process and examination, you will earn the designation Veterinary Technician Specialist or Veterinary Nurse Specialist, along with the right to use the VTS or VNS logo.

Only individuals who achieve certification from a CVTS-approved specialty academy have the right to use the VTS or VNS logo (shown above). When you earn your VTS or VNS, the specialty academy will provide you with a logo that includes a line of text delineating your specialty area of certification.

#### Start your journey to becoming a VTS today! Learn more at navta.net/page/specialties

\*The "Veterinary Nurse Specialist" designation may be earned in countries using the "Veterinary Nurse" title.



# National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA)

NAVTA is a dynamic community of credentialed veterinary technicians dedicated to advancing the profession of veterinary nursing through advocacy, awareness, and professional development. There are currently 16 CVTS-approved Specialty Academies focusing on these specialty areas of veterinary medicine:

- Anesthesia & Analgesia
- Behavior
- Clinical Pathology
- ▶ Clinical Practice
- Dentistry
- Dermatology
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Emergency & Critical Care
- Equine Nursing
- Internal Medicine
- Laboratory Animals
- Nutrition
- Ophthalmology
- Physical Rehabilitation
- Surgery
- Zoological Medicine

Learn more about each of these academies at navta.net/page/specialties

### NAVTA CVTS-RECOGNIZED SPECIALTY ACADEMIES

#### The following Academies have met the NAVTA CVTS requirements for full recognition:

The Academy of Veterinary **Emergency and Critical** Care Technicians—AVECCT



has a goal of certifying Veterinary Technicians to assure the veterinary profession and the public that AVECCT-certified technicians possess the knowledge and experience needed to work effectively in well-equipped and well-staffed emergency or critical care facilities.

The Academy of Veterinary Dental Technicians—AVDT gives technicians the opportunity to expand their knowledge and their professional value by becoming a credentialed specialist in the field of animal dentistry.

The Academy of Internal Medicine **Veterinary Technicians**—AIMVT promotes interest in and advances the skills of Veterinary Technicians within the disciplines of veterinary internal medicine by providing cutting edge continuing education, working with veterinarians to advocate for superior patient care, providing client education, and ensuring consumer protection. Sub-specialties include: Cardiology, Equine Internal Medicine, Neurology, Oncology, Production Animal Internal Medicine, and Small Animal Internal Medicine.

The Academy of Veterinary Technicians in Anesthesia and Analgesia—AVTAA promotes patient safety, consumer protection, professionalism and excellence in anesthesia care and pain management. The Veterinary Technician Specialist in Anesthesia and Analgesia is there to provide your pet with exceptional care before, during and after a procedure.

The Academy of Veterinary Zoological Medicine Technicians—AVZMT was created specifically for veterinary technicians working in zoological medicine and offers the opportunity for zoo technicians to demonstrate excellence in the field.

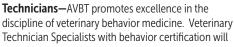


#### The following Academies have meet the NAVTA CVTS requirements for provisional recognition:

The Academy of Laboratory Animal Veterinary Technicians and Nurses—ALAVTN promotes excellence in animal welfare and medical care for animals used in laboratory animal settings.



#### The Academy of Veterinary Behavior





demonstrate superior knowledge in scientifically-based and humanelybased techniques of behavior health, problem prevention, training, management, and behavior modification. The AVBT advances the skills of veterinary technicians within the discipline of animal behavior and furthers their recognition as critical components of the veterinary behavior team in creating, maintaining, and strengthening the human-animal bond.

#### The Academy of Veterinary Clinical Pathology

**Technicians**—AVCPT advances the area of and promotes excellence in the discipline of veterinary clinical pathology.



The Academy of Veterinary Technicians in Clinical

Practice—AVTCP is modeled after the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners and has three species-specific categories: canine/feline, avian/exotic and production animal. The academy's credentialed veterinary technicians provide comprehensive, multidisciplinary care. Candidates are expected to demonstrate expertise in a range of clinical disciplines within their species specialty.

#### The Academy of Dermatology Veterinary

**Technicians**—ADVT promotes excellence through specialization in the discipline of veterinary dermatology by demonstrating an advanced proficiency of dermatologic procedures, working with the veterinary team and client to advocate superior patient care, and providing cutting-edge continuing education.

#### The Academy of Equine Veterinary Nursing

**Technicians**—AEVNT advances the education and professional recognition of credentialed equine veterinary technicians who display excellence in, and dedication to, providing superior nursing care to equine patients.



The Academy of Physical Rehabilitation Veterinary **Technicians**—APRVT provides assistance in veterinary physical rehabilitation, encouraging veterinary

professionals and colleagues to further their education, while improving the quality of animals' lives.



#### The Academy of Veterinary Nutrition Technicians—

AVNT supports the area of veterinary nutrition by demonstrating the expertise of veterinary technicians in the field of nutrition and by endorsing technicians as a vital part of the veterinary nutrition profession.



Academy of Veterinary Ophthalmic Technicians—AVOT

advocates ocular health while advancing the knowledge and practice standards in the field of ophthalmology. The Academy operates under the guidance of NAVTA and ACVO to foster yearly continuing education, professional development, and networking with industry partners.



#### The Academy of Veterinary Surgical Technicians—

AVST encourages experienced surgical technicians to enhance their education and training by pursuing a surgical specialty. AVST provides a standardized route through which technicians may qualify for a national examination to become a VTS (Surgery).



**Imaging**—AVTDI is comprised of veterinary technicians dedicated to performing a higher level of veterinary diagnostic imaging modalities such as: digital radiographs, fluoroscopic special procedures, CT scan, MRI, ultrasound, and nuclear medicine imaging.

