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VETERINARIAN LICENSURE

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87-02-01-01. License renewal.

1. Annual license renewal forms will be provided to all licensed veterinarians on or before June first and completed license renewal forms must be received by June thirtieth.
2. The annual license renewal fee for veterinarians is seventy-five dollars.
3. Renewals not received by the due date will be assessed a late fee of fifty percent of the license fee.

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General Authority: NDCC 43-29-03

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.3

87-02-01-02. Educational program attendance required. Each licenseholder, except as otherwise provided, shall be required to receive twenty-four hours of veterinary continuing education, approved by the board, in the twenty-four months preceding each even-year renewal date. Veterinary continuing education is defined as an educational program which will enhance the licenseholder's professional ability to serve the public and which has the prior approval of the board.

History: Amended effective November 1, 1991; January 1, 1999.

General Authority: NDCC 43-29-03

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-03, 43-29-07.3

87-02-01-03. Educational program requirement waiver. The board shall have the authority to waive the continuing education requirement for an individual, for any of the following reasons:

1. Impaired health.
2. For persons who have reached the age of sixty-five and are no longer actively engaged in practice and have so indicated on their license renewal form. The license of such a person will be placed on inactive status and the veterinarian may not practice veterinary medicine in North Dakota until all required continuing education is obtained.
3. For other good and sufficient reasons as presented and verified to the board at one of its regular meetings.

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Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.3

87-02-01-04. Educational program requirements. Veterinary continuing education may consist of the following:

1. Eight hours of in-house training including veterinary medical tapes, films, computer-based programs, and self-assessment tests relevant to the practice of veterinary medicine.
2. Programs sponsored by local, state, regional, or national veterinary associations and other continuing educational programs or training approved by the North Dakota veterinary medical examining board. The other programs or training may be approved only if they relate to the practice of veterinary medicine, as defined by subsection 8 of North Dakota Century Code section 43-29-01.1, and consist of evidence-based scientific material. The board accepts programs approved by the registry of approved continuing education of the American association of veterinary state boards.
3. Wet labs or instructions, or both, taken at a college or university, the subject material of which must pertain to veterinary medicine.
4. Up to eight hours of veterinary continuing education may relate to practice management. Programs designed to enhance the veterinarian's ability to earn money, invest money, or relating to personal financial planning are not acceptable for meeting the continuing education requirement.
5. Programs presented by pharmaceutical companies and other commercial groups may be approved, as long as they consist of objective presentations of scientific information and are not designed principally to sell products to the veterinarian or the animal owner.
6. Eight hours of participation in a clinical setting at another veterinary practice and completion of the written report required by the board's veterinary exchange program.

Proof of attendance and verification will be necessary on request. Verification may include a printed program, certificate, brochure, handout, or syllabus that lists the topics presented, the persons doing the instruction and their qualifications, and the time for each presentation.

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87-02-01-05. Notice of failure to comply. If a licenseholder fails to receive the amount of continuing education necessary, a written notice must be sent and a six-month grace period will be allowed to make up the requirement. If, after six months, the requirements have not been met, the license will be revoked, suspended, or placed on probationary status.

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