DAY 1: JULY 28, 2025

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7:00am-8:30am

Welcome Breakfast

8:30am-9:30am

What Does Great Look Like? The Evolution of Veterinary Education – Past, Present and the Road Ahead

Speakers: TBA

Join a dynamic panel of industry experts for a thought-provoking journey through the transformation of veterinary education over the past 20 years. Explore how shifting expectations, emerging technologies, and workforce demands have shaped where we are today, and where we might go next. With insights from leading veterinary educators, forward-thinking employers, and changemakers from outside the profession, this session will challenge assumptions and spark ideas for a more adaptable, future-ready veterinary workforce.

9:30am-10:30am

Voices of the Future – What the Professionals of Tomorrow Need Most Speakers: TBA

It's time to hear directly from those who matter most—the students and recent graduates shaping the future of veterinary medicine. This panel brings together voices from across the profession to share candid insights on what's working, what's not, and what truly makes a difference in their educational and career journeys. Gain a deeper understanding of how academic institutions, industry bodies, and the broader veterinary sector can better support, engage, and empower the next generation—not just for tomorrow, but every day that follows.

11:30am-12:30pm

Benefiting from Shared Responsibility – Aligning Education and Industry for Lasting Success

Speakers: TBA

Graduation is just the beginning, and true practice readiness takes a collective effort. In this forward-looking panel, industry leaders from education, clinical practice, corporate partnerships, and professional bodies come together to explore how every sector plays a vital role in shaping the future of veterinary medicine. Through real examples of successful collaboration and fresh ideas for deeper engagement, this session will highlight how working together—early and often—can elevate student success, strengthen the workforce, and create lasting value across the profession.

12:30pm-1:30pm

Networking Lunch

2:30pm-3:30pm

Future-Focused Accreditation – Rethinking Regulation for a Stronger Profession

Speakers: TBA

We know the limits of the current system and now we ask: what does an ideal future look like? This session explores the evolving role of accreditation and the opportunity for educational institutions and industry bodies to work together in building a veterinary education system fit for the future. Through candid discussion of current regulatory challenges and inspiring examples from other sectors, the panel will examine how to shift the focus toward outcomes that serve students, support the profession, and ultimately benefit the end customer - our patients.

3:30pm-4:30pm

Building the Future – Inside the Rise of New Veterinary Programs Speakers: TBA

Veterinary education is expanding rapidly. Across the country, new programs are emerging to meet growing demand, but the road to establishment is anything but simple. This session offers an inside look at the challenges, lessons learned, and successes from those leading the charge. Hear firsthand accounts from innovators navigating accreditation, curriculum design, and stakeholder alignment, and gain insight into what the future holds for the next generation of veterinary schools.

6:00pm-8:00pm

Social Event

DAY 2: JULY 29, 2025

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7:00am-8:30am

Working Breakfast

8:30am-9:30am

Tech with Purpose – Harnessing Innovation for Lifelong Impact Speakers: TBA

Technology is transforming veterinary medicine, but how do we separate the hype from the lasting value? This lively discussion explores the real-world benefits of technology not just in education, but across the full lifecycle of a veterinary career - from student to practitioner to patient care. Panelists will examine how thoughtful adoption can create a lasting legacy for individuals, practices, and the animals we serve. But it's not all upside - this session will also take a critical look at the potential pitfalls of rapid innovation and challenge whether all new tech truly serves the profession's best interests.

9:30am-10:30am

Shared Faculty – Strengthening the System or Stretching It Too Thin? Speakers: TBA

Faculty sharing is hailed as a win-win, boosting collaboration, expanding access to expertise, and elevating veterinary education. But is it truly delivering the value we imagine? Or are there cracks beneath the surface? In this spirited debate, leading voices from academia and industry will challenge assumptions, weigh the trade-offs, and ask tough questions: Are students really benefiting? Is quality being diluted? And who truly gains, or loses when faculty are spread across institutions? Come ready for honest dialogue on a model that could shape the future of veterinary education - for better or worse.

11:30am-12:30pm

Team-Based Learning: Real-World Prep or Overhyped Practice? Speakers: TBA

Team-based learning (TBL) promises to revolutionize veterinary education - producing more confident, collaborative, and practice-ready graduates. But does the method live up to the promise? Is group learning truly building better clinicians, or is it diluting individual accountability and masking knowledge gaps? In this engaging and honest discussion, educators, employers, and recent grads will dig into the evidence, share real experiences, and debate whether TBL is the future of veterinary education—or just the latest educational trend. Come ready to challenge, question, and rethink what "practice-ready" really means.

12:30pm-1:30pm

Distance Learning – Expanding Access or Eroding Quality Speakers: TBA

Distance learning is reshaping veterinary education, breaking down barriers, expanding access, and creating a more flexible, modern workforce. But at what cost? While online and hybrid models promise equity and innovation, critics question whether they truly deliver the depth of training and hands-on experience the profession demands. This session brings together educators and industry leaders to debate the impact of distance learning: Is it raising the standard or lowering the bar?