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Chicago Veterinary Medical Association

Chicago Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) Introduces the

CVMA Veterinary Technician (VT) Program

Recognizing the critical role of Veterinary Technicians (VT) in the field of veterinary medicine, CVMA is pleased to introduce our VT Program. The focus is to spread awareness of the importance of the VT in the field of veterinary medicine, being an advocate of fairness to the profession, and supplying relevant education opportunities for their professional development.

During 2026, we are offering **a special Introductory VT Membership rate of $45.** Membership for students in an accredited VT program is complimentary.

Benefits of the 2026 VT Membership

CVMA U Courses and Course Discounts: The 2026 CVMA U best-in-class courses for those in the field of veterinary medicine are open for registration to VT professionals. Each course is approved for six **(6) RACE credit hours.** In 2026, the first course is offered at a discounted rate of $45 with additional courses also offered at a deep discount. Visit the website at **www.Chicagovma.org** for the course schedule and pricing.

CVMA Value-Added Benefits: Members of CVMA have access to value-added benefits. These include discounts on attorney fees, surgical products, business services, money and loan management, technical supplies, printers, graphic designers, realtors, airfare, theatre and sport tickets, more. Veterinarians and VT members have access to these substantive benefits in the CVMA Member Portal.

Mental Health Program: CVMA has a Mental Health Program at no cost to members and their families. This is a confidential referral program–members are referred to the right person for specific needs. The Mental Health professional does not charge beyond what the members' insurance covers.

Government Affairs: CVMA has a Government Affairs Committee to ensure that we have a voice regarding the field of veterinary medicine at the federal, state, and local levels.

CommUNITY: CVMA educates the community on the roles of VTs, veterinarians, and owner/pet welfare.

Pet-Loss Program: VTs may refer grieving pet owners to CVMA's unique Pet-Loss Program to help them navigate the mourning of the passing or loss of a pet. We have a phone helpline and offer virtual meetings led by a licensed therapist who specializes in pet loss.

Vet*Connect*Chicago: "Vet*Connect*Chicago" is CVMA's monthly newsletter that includes member spotlights, updates on what is happening in the field of veterinary medicine, current, relevant articles, a VT Corner, and CVMA U course updates.

Scholarship Programs: Scholarship opportunities will be rolled out in October 2026 during National Veterinary Technician Week.

Become part of this dynamic program

Join Today!

To join or for more information, visit **www.Chicagovma.org**, call **630.325.1231**, or write to **info@Chicagovma.org**.