

The CE session will review the major components involved in becoming a board certified veterinarian in animal welfare. This will include a discussion of relevant didactic instruction, self-study, on-the-job training, mentorship, manuscript authorship, and other experiential learning that is essential for the credentialing process. Leaders within the American College of Animal Welfare (ACAW) will review how interested veterinarians can navigate the processes involved for submitting a training program for approval by ACAW, becoming credentialed, and taking the certification examination. Several ACAW diplomates will also share their unique career paths within the animal welfare field.

After completing the CE session, participants will understand:

- The process for becoming a veterinarian board certified in animal welfare.
- How to identify mentors in and contribute to the field of animal welfare.
- Career opportunities available for veterinarians in the animal welfare field.

Speakers:

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I have the following tentative agenda:

- Introduction & ACAW History – Stacy – 10 Minutes
- Routes to Board Certification – Stacy – 10 Minutes
- Training Programs – LaVonne – 15 Minutes
- Credentialing – Stacy – 5 Minutes
- Exam – Randy – 15 Minutes
- Careers in Animal Welfare
  - Lab Animal – LaVonne (clinical) & Stacy (IACUC) – 10 Minutes
  - Zoo Medicine – Randy – 10 Minutes
  - Regulatory Medicine/Government – Chelsey – 10 Minutes