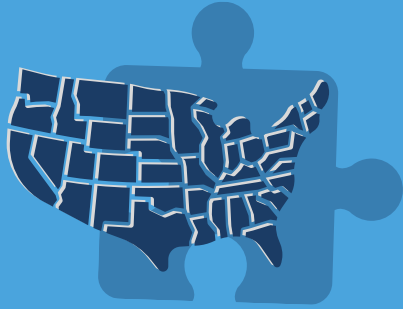


VETERINARY TECHNICIANS WORKFORCE ENHANCEMENT ACT

The missing puzzle pieces...

WE'RE IN THE MINORITY

Minnesota is 1 of 8 states that does NOT regulate veterinary technicians. Regulation has been shown to aid the profession in the other 42 states. Licensure will put Minnesota on par with industry standards in the US.



BETTER DEFINED VETERINARY HEALTHCARE

Licensure leads to improved veterinary practice efficiencies by adding definitions for veterinary technicians and veterinary assistants. Regulation will enhance the roles for licensed veterinary technicians by allowing the DVM to delegate supervisory authority for veterinary assistants to the licensed veterinary technician.

STEPS IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

Licensure serves as a significant step toward improved working conditions, professional recognition, retention, and pay. Licensure recognizes the education and the skills that veterinary technicians possess.



IT IS NOT MANDATORY!

Individuals are not required to become licensed. The Veterinary Practice Act will identify licensed veterinary technicians and all others may be designated as veterinary assistants.



MVMA
Minnesota Veterinary
Medical Association

Learn more at
mvma.org/veterinary-technician-licensure
mavt.net/page/aboutthepracticeact

BENEFITS TO PUBLIC SAFETY

- Provides assurances to the public of qualified and competent veterinary care
- Greater state accountability and oversight
- Creates a mechanism to investigate misconduct
- Standards set for minimum competency and continuing education

BENEFITS TO THE PROFESSION

- Leads to greater retention
- Creates a more desirable career path
- Recognizes formal education attained
- Better defines the healthcare team
- Improved efficiency = increased revenue
- Ensures entry-level competency by promotion of the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE)
- Increases marketability with regulated states
- Essential for national disaster deployment
- Aligns with American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB), and AVMA model practice acts

LICENSURE IS HIGHLY FAVORABLE

Veterinary technician licensure is endorsed by the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA), Minnesota Association of Veterinary Technicians (MAVT), and their respective leadership teams. In a recent MVMA survey, it was concluded that over 70% of the profession approve of licensure.



WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?



REACH OUT TO YOUR LEGISLATORS

Contact your local legislators and tell them you are in favor of veterinary technician licensure (HF 1228) and (SF 1522)). You can find current bill numbers and your local legislators at <https://www.leg.mn.gov/>.



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