

WELCOME TO CVMA *Convention* 2026

CVMA DESK HOURS

The Registration and Member Services Desks are located in the Longs Peak Foyer and are open:

- THURSDAY** 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY** 6:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- SATURDAY** 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- SUNDAY** 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

PROCEEDINGS

Download proceedings from your session speakers two ways:

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The State Board of Veterinary Medicine requires a minimum of 32 hours of CE biennially to renew Colorado licenses. The 2026 license renewal deadline is October 31, 2026.

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EVENT PROGRAM

Don't miss these exciting events



Keynote & Welcome Reception
Thursday, 4:00pm
Longs Peak

Kick off Convention with great conversation, food, and a chance to meet our opening keynote speaker. This is where the energy (and the fun) officially begins.



Member Meeting & Awards Breakfast
Friday, 7:00am
Quandary Peak II & Foyer

Hear the latest CVMA updates, applaud this year's award winners, and connect with colleagues. Everyone's welcome - come be part of the moment.



Exhibit Hall Happy Hour
Friday, 4:50pm
Exhibit Hall

CE by day, cheers by night. Swing through the Exhibit Hall for drinks, good company, and a little mingling with the partners who help make Convention possible.

THURSDAY

TIME	TRACK/ROOM	SESSION	SPEAKER
12:00pm - 4:00pm	Workshop Quandary Peak II	Anesthesia Intensive Workshop RSVP REQUIRED	Bonnie Wright, DVM, DACVAA
1:00pm - 4:00pm	Drylab Quandary Peak I	Companion Animal Euthanasia Technique Workshop RSVP REQUIRED	Kathleen Cooney DVM, CHPV, CPEV, DACAW

Keynote & Welcome Reception: 4:00pm - 5:45 pm | Longs Peak | 1.5 CE Hours



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FRIDAY AM

TIME	TRACK/ROOM	SESSION	SPEAKER	SPONSOR
7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	Quandary Peak II & Foyer	Member Meeting (open to all!) & Awards Breakfast		
	Small Animal Longs Peak	Dr. Cooney's Most Challenging Euthanasia Cases; Pivoting from panic to peace	Kathleen Cooney , DVM, CHPV, CPEV, DACAW	
8:00-8:50am	Bovine Grays Peak I	Internal Med in Ambulatory Practice - Cow-side diagnostics	Andrea Lear , DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM)	
	Mixed Animal Torreys Peak I-II	Introduction to Veterinary Forensics Part I: An Overview	Jennifer Rainey , DVM, MS (Veterinary Forensic Sciences)	
	Small Animal Symposium Quandary Peak I	The Confident Clinician: Practical Approaches to Lymphoma in Everyday Practice	Pamela Jones , DVM, DACVIM (Oncology), DACVR (Radiation Oncology)	IDEXX
	Small Animal Longs Peak	Handling Behavior and Convenience Euthanasia Requests	Kathleen Cooney , DVM, CHPV, CPEV, DACAW	
9:00-9:50am	Bovine Grays Peak I	Internal Med in Ambulatory Practice - Practical Ultrasonography	Andrea Lear , DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM)	
	Mixed Animal Torreys Peak I-II	Introduction to Veterinary Forensics Part II: Documentation	Jennifer Rainey , DVM, MS (Veterinary Forensic Sciences)	
	Small Animal Symposium Quandary Peak I	Demystifying Mast Cell Tumors: Confident, Practical Approach for Every Practitioner - Part I	Pamela Jones , DVM, DACVIM (Oncology), DACVR (Radiation Oncology)	IDEXX
	9:50-10:50am Exhibit Hall Refreshment break			
11:00-11:50am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Updates on Mitral Valve Disease in Dogs: Diagnosis and Treatment in Primary Care	Brian Scansen , DVM, MS, DACVIM (Cardiology)	
	Bovine Grays Peak I	Disease Outbreaks - Turning Data Into Management	Andrea Lear , DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM)	
	Mixed Animal Torreys Peak I-II	Nonaccidental (NAI) vs. Accidental Injury	Jennifer Rainey , DVM, MS (Veterinary Forensic Sciences)	
	Small Animal Symposium Quandary Peak I	Demystifying Mast Cell Tumors: Confident, Practical Approach for Every Practitioner - Part II	Pamela Jones , DVM, DACVIM (Oncology), DACVR (Radiation Oncology)	IDEXX
12:00 - 12:50pm Exhibit Hall Lunch - Get your badge scanned to enter to win!				

FRIDAY PM

TIME	TRACK/ROOM	SESSION	SPEAKER	SPONSOR	
1:00 - 1:50pm	Small Animal Longs Peak	Osteoarthritis in Dogs: A Multifactorial Disease Requiring a Multimodal Approach	Heather S. York , DVM, CCRT, CVAT		
	Bovine Grays Peak I	Ruminant Diagnostics	Andrea Lear , DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM)		
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	From Shope to Nope: Current Topics in Zoological Companion and Wildlife Medicine	Jennifer Schoonmaker , DVM, MSc One Health		
	Small Animal Symposium Quandary Peak I	Bridging Human and Veterinary Approaches to Cancer Screening	Pamela Jones , DVM, DACVIM (Oncology), DACVR (Radiation Oncology)	IDEXX	
2:00 - 2:50pm	CDA Torreys Peak I-II	Colorado's Animal Cruelty Laws: Statutes, Culpability, and Case Law - Part 1	Diane Balkin , JD		
	Small Animal Longs Peak	Nutritional Management of Canine and Feline Urinary Conditions	Becky Eschmann , DVM, MPH, CPH, DACVPM		
	Bovine Grays Peak I	Update on Vaccination Strategies for Breeding Cattle	Andrea Lear , DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM)		
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Equine Respiratory Disease Updates	Philip van Harreveld , DVM, MS, DACVS-LA		
2:50-3:50pm	Small Animal Symposium Quandary Peak I	Bringing Oncology Home: Chemotherapy Strategies for the General Practitioner	Pamela Jones , DVM, DACVIM (Oncology), DACVR (Radiation Oncology)	IDEXX	
	CDA Torreys Peak I-II	Colorado's Animal Cruelty Laws: Statutes, Culpability, and Case Law - Part 2	Diane Balkin , JD		
	2:50-3:50pm Exhibit Hall Refreshment break - Get your badge scanned to be entered to win!				
	Small Animal Longs Peak	Nutritional Management of Canine and Feline Gastrointestinal Conditions	Becky Eschmann , DVM, MPH, CPH, DACVPM		
4:00 - 4:50pm	Bovine Grays Peak I	Update on Vaccination Strategies for Weaned/Market Calves	Andrea Lear , DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM)		
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Equine Acute Abdomen: When Referral is Not an Option	Philip van Harreveld , DVM, MS, DACVS-LA		
	Small Animal Symposium Quandary Peak I	Cancer Conversations: Guiding Pet Owners with Clarity and Compassion	Pamela Jones , DVM, DACVIM (Oncology), DACVR (Radiation Oncology)	IDEXX	
	CDA Torreys Peak I-II	Case Presentation: BAP and Panel Discussion	Check the mobile app for updates!		
4:50 - 5:45pm Exhibit Hall Happy Hour - Get your badge scanned to be entered to win!					

SATURDAY AM

TIME	TRACK/ROOM	SESSION	SPEAKER	SPONSOR
7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	Longs Peak Foyer	Breakfast		
8:00-8:50am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Anemia: A Reminder Primer	Craig Webb, PhD, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM) and Tracy Webb, DVM, PhD, FNAP	
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Updates on Bovine Lameness	Meredyth Jones Cook, DVM, MS, DACVIM	
	Equine Grays Peak I	FLASH Ultrasound: Enhancing Diagnostic Capability in the Field	Lindsay Deacon, DVM	
	Integrative Medicine Quandary Peak I	Thoughtful Approaches to Geriatric Care- Applicable Techniques for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	Jessica Rychel, DVM, DACVSMR, CVMA, CCRP; Jeret Benson, DVM, CHPV	
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Substance Use Prevention Training	Pre-recorded video	
8:50 - 9:20am	Exhibit Hall	Refreshment break - Get your badge scanned to be entered to win!		
9:30-10:20am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Anemia: Canine Cases	Tracy Webb, DVM, PhD, FNAP	
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Bovine Foot Surgeries	Meredyth Jones Cook, DVM, MS, DACVIM	
	Equine Grays Peak I	Heart Sounds to Clinical Decisions: A Practical Guide to the Equine Cardiac Examination	Lindsay Deacon, DVM	
	Integrative Medicine Quandary Peak I	Hospice Care for a More Satisfying Experience	Jessica Rychel, DVM, DACVSMR, CVMA, CCRP; Jeret Benson, DVM, CHPV	
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Jurisprudence 1047 CE	Pre-recorded video	
10:30-11:20am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Anemia: Feline Cases	Craig Webb, PhD, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)	
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Field Surgeries You Should Know: Small Ruminants	Meredyth Jones Cook, DVM, MS, DACVIM	
	Equine Grays Peak I	Imaging the Equine Heart: A Foundational Approach to Echocardiography	Lindsay Deacon, DVM	
	Integrative Medicine Quandary Peak I	Cool Infusions to Further Your Medicine	Jessica Rychel, DVM, DACVSMR, CVMA, CCRP; Meaghan Monahan, RVT	
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Jurisprudence 1048 CE	Pre-recorded video	

SATURDAY PM

TIME	TRACK/ROOM	SESSION	SPEAKER	SPONSOR
11:20 - 12:20pm	Exhibit Hall	Lunch - Last chance to get your badge scanned!	Hall closes at 12:30pm	
12:30 - 1:20pm	Small Animal Longs Peak	My Bowels are Bleeding! Management of the AHDS/HGE patient	Andrew Linklater, DVM, DACVECC	
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Small Ruminant Urolithiasis	Meredyth Jones Cook, DVM, MS, DACVIM	
	Equine Grays Peak I	50 Shades of Gray: Advanced Ultrasonography of the Mare's Reproductive Tract	Jennifer Hatzel, DVM, MS, DACT	
	Integrative Medicine Quandary Peak I	Intra-articular Therapies - What's In and What's Out	Jessica Rychel, DVM, DACVSMR, CVMA, CCRP; Meaghan Monahan, RVT	
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Substance Use Prevention Training	Pre-recorded video	
1:30 - 2:20pm	Small Animal Longs Peak	What's New in Pancreatitis	Andrew Linklater, DVM, DACVECC	
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Care of Geriatric Livestock	Meredyth Jones Cook, DVM, MS, DACVIM	
	Equine Grays Peak I	Referral or Retry? Knowing When ART Is the Right Next Step	Jennifer Hatzel, DVM, MS, DACT	
	Integrative Medicine Quandary Peak I	Therapeutic Exercise and Massage - A Whole Clinic Approach	Jessica Rychel, DVM, DACVSMR, CVMA, CCRP; Teri Willard, RVT	
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Jurisprudence 1047 CE	Pre-recorded video	
2:20 - 2:30pm	Longs Peak Foyer	Refreshment break		
2:30 - 3:20pm	Small Animal Longs Peak	Abdominal Diagnostics: When to Cut	Andrew Linklater, DVM, DACVECC	
	Mixed Animal Grays Peak II	Medical Decision Making and Bias	Meredyth Jones Cook, DVM, MS, DACVIM	
	Equine Grays Peak I	The Elite Working Mom: Advanced Reproductive Strategies for Performance Horses	Jennifer Hatzel, DVM, MS, DACT	
	Integrative Medicine Quandary Peak I	Updates in Pain Management - Novel Tips and Tricks	Jessica Rychel, DVM, DACVSMR, CVMA, CCRP	
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Jurisprudence 1048 CE	Pre-recorded video	
3:30 - 5:00pm	Shavano Terrace	Patio Social with special guests from Nature's Educators		

SUNDAY AM

TIME	TRACK/ROOM	SESSION	SPEAKER	SPONSOR
7:30 - 8:00 a.m.	Longs Peak Foyer	Breakfast		
8:00-8:50am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Renal Disease in Small Animals	Kelly McCord, DVM, MS, DACVIM (SAIM)	
	CO Regulatory Updates Grays Peak II	State Veterinarian's Office Update	Eryn McGrath, DVM	
	Veterinary Leadership Grays Peak I RACE Approved CE	From Surviving to Thriving: Unlocking the Power of Self-Leadership Amidst Chaos	Shelley Johnson, PhD, CVPM, MSSL	ASCEND
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Jurisprudence 1047 CE	Pre-recorded video	
9:00-9:50am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Chronic Enteropathies in Small Animals	Kelly McCord, DVM, MS, DACVIM (SAIM)	
	CO Regulatory Updates Grays Peak II	CDPHE Update	Allison Kohnen, DVM, MPH	
	Veterinary Leadership Grays Peak I RACE Approved CE	Elevating Compassionate Leadership through Emotional Intelligence	Shelley Johnson, PhD, CVPM, MSSL	ASCEND
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Jurisprudence 1048 CE	Pre-recorded video	
9:50 - 10:00am	Longs Peak Foyer	Refreshment break		
10:00-10:50am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Brachycephalic Airway Syndrome	Eric Monnet, DVM, PhD, DACVS, DECVS, FAHA	
	CO Regulatory Updates Grays Peak II	USDA Module 34: Veterinary Export Health Certification System (VEHCS)	Gillian Gwartz, DVM	
	Veterinary Leadership Grays Peak I RACE Approved CE	Self-Health Factors: Building Resilience in a Challenging Environment	Shelley Johnson, PhD, CVPM, MSSL	ASCEND
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Substance Use Prevention Training	Pre-recorded video	
11:00-11:50am	Small Animal Longs Peak	Principles of Open Wound Management Contact Layers	Eric Monnet, DVM, PhD, DACVS, DECVS, FAHA	
	CO Regulatory Updates Grays Peak II	USDA Module 38: Role of Category I Animals in Foreign Animal Disease Introduction and Transmission	Gillian Gwartz, DVM	
	Veterinary Leadership Grays Peak I RACE Approved CE	Responding to Stress: Tools for Coping and Leading Effectively	Shelley Johnson, PhD, CVPM, MSSL	ASCEND
	State Required CE Grays Peak III	Substance Use Prevention Training	Pre-recorded video	



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