

NVMA Winter Conference Schedule-at-a-Glance

January 28-31, 2026 | Crowne Plaza & Younes Conference Center North, Kearney, NE

Wednesday, January 28

- Exhibit Hall Set-Up (5:00 pm – 10:00 pm)
- Legislative Committee Meeting (5:30 pm – 6:30 pm) | Bronze 1
- NCSF Membership Meeting/Board Meeting (6:00 pm) | Bronze 5
- CE Committee Meeting (8:30 pm – 9:00 pm) | Bronze 1
- Hospitality Room (9:00 pm – 11:00 pm) | Bronze 1

Thursday, January 29

- **Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall** (7:00 am – 8:30 am) | Silver 1
- **NVMA Industry Exhibits** (7:00 am – 5:30 pm) | Silver 1
- **Educational Breakouts** (8:00 am – 5:30 pm)
 - **Small Animal Medicine | Silver 4**
 - Gastrointestinal Medicine Presented by Dr. Maria Jugan
 - 8:00 am – 8:50 am | Empirical Approach to Chronic Enteropathies in Dogs & Cats with a focus on Diet Trials
 - 9:00 am – 9:50 am | The “PLE” Dog: Tips for Management of Primary Lymphangiectasia
 - 10:30 am – 11:20 am | Cats Aren’t Small Dogs: What’s Different About Cats and Chronic GI Disease
 - 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm | Antimicrobial Stewardship & Small Animal GI Disease
 - 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm | Prebiotics, Probiotics, and Fecal Transplants: What are they & how do we use them?
 - 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm | A “How-To” Guide: Placement & Management of Feeding Tubes in Small Animal Patients
 - 4:30 pm – 5:20 pm | Utilization of Feeding Tubes in Dogs & Cats: Case Discussion
 - **Large Animal Medicine | Silver 10**
 - Equine Medicine Presented by Dr. Christopher Blevins
 - 8:00 am – 8:50 am | Equine Colic “Blizard” Style
 - 9:00 am – 9:50 am | Severe Laceration – Rodeo Smoke
 - 10:30 am – 11:20 am | Equine Dentistry “West” of 209
 - Bovine Medicine Presented by Dr. Tera Barnhardt
 - 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm | Building Farm Teams from the Boots Up
 - 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm | Business of Raising Beef with Welfare on the Forefront
 - 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm | Chute Safety
 - 4:30 pm – 5:20 pm | Tricks Up My (OB) Sleeve
- **NVMA Membership Luncheon and Installation of Officers** (11:20 am – 1:00 pm) | Gold 5
- **ISU/KSU Colleges of Veterinary Medicine Alumni Reception** (5:30pm – 7:00pm) | Gold 5
- **Hospitality Room** (9:00 pm – 12:00 am) | Bronze 1

Friday, January 30

- **Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall** (7:00 am – 8:30 am) | Silver 1
- **NVMA Industry Exhibits** (7:00 am – 5:30 pm) | Silver 1
- **Educational Breakouts** (8:00 am – 5:30 pm)
 - **Small Animal Medicine | Silver 4**

- **Anesthesiology Presented by Dr. Nate Kapaldo**
 - 8:00 am – 8:50 am | Preanesthetic medications
 - 9:00 am – 9:50 am | Clinical monitoring of the anesthetized patient - past and current practices
 - 10:30 am – 11:20 am | Clinical monitoring of the anesthetized patient - pulse oximetry and capnography
 - 11: 30 – 12:20 pm | Clinical monitoring of the anesthetized patient - monitoring depth of unconsciousness
 - 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm | Clinical monitoring of the anesthetized patient - blood pressure monitoring and management
 - 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm | Anesthetic management of patients with cardiac disease
 - 4:30 pm – 5:20 pm | Gastroesophageal reflux and regurgitation under general anesthesia
- **Large Animal Medicine | Silver 10**
 - **Small Ruminants, Backyard Pets and More Presented by Dr. Rachel Friedrich**
 - 8:00 am – 8:50 am | Metabolic Diseases of Ruminants: Part 1
 - 9:00 am – 9:50 am | Metabolic Diseases of Ruminants: Part 2
 - 10:30 am – 11:20 am | Ruminant Dermatology
 - 11: 30 – 12:20 pm | Small Ruminant Abortions and Infertility
 - 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm | Comon Camelid Disease Presentations and Therapeutic Options
 - 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm | Backyard and Pet Livestock Medicine
 - 4:30 pm – 5:20 pm | So You’re Going to be a “Fair Vet”; What to Know Before You Go
- **Veterinary Technician | Gold 10**
 - **Nutrition Presented by Kara Burns, MS, Med, LVT, VTS**
 - 8:00 am – 8:50 am | Kitten Nutrition: Establishing a Strong Foundation for Lifelong Health
 - 9:00 am – 9:50 am | Getting Cats to Eat: It is More Than Pouring Food in a Bowl
 - 10:30 am – 11:20 am | Nutritional Management of Pancreatitis
 - 11: 30 – 12:20 pm | Vet Tech Consults: Helping Clients with Diet Choices
 - **Technology and Leadership by Dr. Jen Quammen**
 - 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm | You’re Not Just a Technician: Your Skills Matter. Technology Helps Them Count
 - 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm | From the Clinic Floor to the Boardroom: A Veterinary Technician’s Path to AVMA President-Elect
- **NVMA Celebration of Veterinary Medicine Luncheon** (12:30 pm – 2:00 pm) | Gold 5
- **NVMA Past President’s Reception and Student Event** (5:30 pm – 10:00 pm) | Gold 5
- **Hospitality Room** (10:00 pm – 12:00 am) | Bronze 1

Saturday, January 31

- **Breakfast** (7:30 am – 8:30 am) | Silver 10
- **General Session** (8:00 am – 12:30 pm) | Silver 10
 - Opioid Training – Presented by Dr. Lance Roasa
 - 8:00 am – 12:30 pm | Introduction: The Veterinary Role in a Public Health Crisis
- **Conference Adjourns at 12:30 pm**