



Examination Development Program

Veterinarian Subject Matter Expert Recruitment

Become a contributing member of the Veterinary profession and join other active and committed practitioners who play an important role in the betterment of the profession by becoming a subject matter expert (SME) in the examination development process. The Veterinary Medical Board (Board) is looking for currently licensed California practitioners actively living and working in California to help write and review test questions, or items, for the California State Board (CSB) Examinations. **NOTE:** A SME participating in the preparation of the CSB Examination *must not be serving in a classroom teaching capacity to veterinary students that are candidates for licensure.*

The two-day or three-day workshops, conducted in Sacramento, are led by personnel from the Office of Professional Examination Services. Item writing workshops start with instruction in question and answer writing and progress to writing them in a clear and relevant manner. Item review workshops are separate events that concentrate on ensuring that test questions are correct, comprehensive, and applicable to practice and are written at the appropriate level of difficulty.

What is in it for you? You get to feel good about your role in contributing to your profession by ensuring the CSB examinations are current and relevant and you get to engage in spirited discussions on subjects near and dear to all our hearts. You get paid travel expenses, a stipend, meet interesting colleagues, and finally, you earn up to 16 hours of continuing education (CE) credit. Yes, you read that right. We pay you to earn CE!

Feedback from past participants indicates the experience is a satisfying one. Not only would you have the gratification of having an impact on the examination, but you would also gain from meeting and exchanging views with other practitioners from throughout the State who represent a diverse group in terms of their specialties, years licensed, and practice settings. Invite a colleague into joining with you! Veterinarians, particularly newly licensed individuals, from all areas of expertise are needed – exotic, feline, emergency, small animal, food animal, equine, dentistry, surgeons, shelter, zoo, etc.

If you are interested in participating in an upcoming workshop cycle or need additional information, please express your interest and inquiries to the Board's examination development liaison, Jacqueline French, via email at jacqueline.french@dca.ca.gov. You may also reach Jacqueline at (916) 515-5236.