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## Detailed Program Description for ACVD Website

1. Program name and location: [Pet Dermatology Clinic, Maple Grove, MN USA](#)
2. Is the program currently on ACVD Probation? **NO** If yes, please describe the reasons for probation, what is being done to correct them and when the program is scheduled to be off probation?
3. Mentor(s):
  - a. Name: [Melissa Eisenschenk](#)
    1. Years in ACVD: [12 years](#)
    2. Years as a mentor: [3 years](#)
  - b. Name: [Amanda Young](#)
    1. Years in ACVD: [2 years](#)
    2. Years as a mentor: [0 years](#)
4. Specific requirements for applying to the program:
  - a) [Be a graduate of an approved veterinary school or college](#)
  - b) [Have completed a one-year internship or satisfactory practice equivalency](#)
  - c) [Be approved to practice veterinary medicine in Minnesota, USA](#)
  - d) [Be a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association](#)
  - e) [Be of satisfactory professional moral and ethical character](#)
5. Length of residency in years: [3 years](#)
6. Is a Master's degree or PhD required? If so, which? [No](#).
7. When the residency was first offered? [Will be offered in 2022](#)
  - a. Has it been continuous since then? [NA](#)
  - b. If not continual what years was the residency offered?
8. How many residents have been accepted into the program since inception? [0](#)
  - a. How many of these have become board certified dermatologists?
9. What is the average annual dermatology caseload for the institution over the past 5 years? [2050 cases per year](#)
10. What is the average total caseload seen the entire residency?  
[900 cases](#) (average cases annually times the number of years of residency)  
[180 clinical days x 5 cases per day= 900 cases min./year, or about 2700 cases per residency.](#)
11. On average, how many new patients, rechecks and consults does the program see per year? (actual numbers of cases)
  - a. New cases [400](#)

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b. Rechecks 1650

c. Consults 0

12. On average, what percentage of the program's cases are dogs and cats?

a. Dogs 80%

b. Cats 20%

13. On average, how many exotic, equine and farm animal cases does the program see per year?

a. Exotics 0-1

b. Equine 0

c. Farm animals 0

14. What percentage of time is the mentor in clinics with the resident while the resident is seeing cases during the resident's

first year: 100%

second year: 100%

third year: 80%

*(This means that the mentor is either physically seeing patients with the resident or can be contacted by phone and available to see the case within one hour of being called.)*

15. Does the program have access to other specialists? If so, please list: There are numerous specialty institutions within a 40min drive if referrals of patients are needed. The clinic has access to Veterinary Information Network (VIN) which provides advice from over 250 consultant veterinarians with all veterinary specialties represented. These consultations are rapid and recorded for future use. The resident may also opt to have an externship with a different specialty if approved by the mentors.

16. Please describe your library access: ACVD online library, and access to the University of MN library (which has access to nearly every book or journal in the world) is a 25min drive from clinic.

17. Does the program have statistical support for their residents' research projects?  
Yes, by paid consultation at the University of MN or private industry.

18. Does the program have direct access to any basic science or clinical science laboratories that the resident can use for research purposes? If yes, please describe the types of laboratories available and interactions that the resident may have with them. Depending on the project, laboratory use could be arranged at the University of MN or outsourced, we do not have laboratories at our facility.

19. How often do the residents and mentors have the following rounds? *(For each type of rounds, please list how often they are held, how long each session is, and a detailed description of how they are conducted.)*

a. Case rounds: 1 hour per week Friday AM, 4-5 hours per month.

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- b. Journal club: Every other week, 2 hours (4-6 hours/month), either or both mentors participating, Mondays.
- c. Histopathology training: Every other week, 2 hours, 4-6 hours per month to be led by Dr Sheila Torres and Dr Sandra Koch (both DACVD) at the University of MN as formal guided training Monday afternoons. Residents will also receive digital images of every histopathology they submit and are expected to review those as well, once weekly on Fridays with the mentors, after case rounds, for about 30 minutes per week.
- d. Basic science learning rounds: 1 hour per week, Friday AM, 4-5 hr/month

20. Resident's benefits: (Please give a general list of benefits and then whom a potential candidate should contact to get more specific information on salary and benefit packages) Health and dental insurance paid, 10 working days per year vacation, professional development fund to help pay for CE travel/hotel/fees. Contact Melissa Eisenschenk for details.

21. Does the program allow the resident to attend the NAVDF (North American Veterinary Dermatology Forum) meeting annually?

Yes, it would not be required every year, but strongly encouraged.

22. Does the program pay for the resident to attend the NAVDF meeting annually?

Residents can use professional development funds to help pay for the meeting.

23. Average number of days a resident will spend on clinics per month:

15 days per month on average.

24. Average number of days a resident will spend on non-clinical pursuits per month (not including Sundays or holidays): About 5 days per month on average.

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25. Does the resident have to take general medicine emergency duty?

No

If so how often:

26. Does the resident take Dermatology emergency duty?

No

If so how often:

27. Is time allotted for externships in other subspecialties or at other dermatology practices? If so explain: The resident could arrange 3 additional weeks at other dermatology practices and if those weeks were lined up with off clinics time already scheduled (1 week per month) could equal 6 weeks of outside externships per residency. These externships must be approved by the mentors and additional funds may not be available to cover travel.

28. How much time is allotted off clinics for board preparation? The resident has 5 days off clinics per month and can use this time for board preparation during the residency.

29. How much time is allotted to carry out a research project (grant writing, data collection, paper preparation) during the residency (please report in number of weeks)? About 8 weeks, however more time would be allowed if needed.

30. What are the other responsibilities/duties of the resident?

**Clinical:** Case responsibility including medical records, client and referring vet letters, follow up on their own or other doctor's cases as needed, consultation with referring vets by phone or email, updating client handouts or information sheets, keeping a case log, identifying and submitting a case report, performing a research project to be presented and published, submit material for an exam question, teaching vet students who are doing preceptorships.

**Public:** Provide CE to area veterinarians (3 lectures), provide CE to area pet owners (1 lecture), attend veterinary or pet events as a representative of the clinic and profession. Mentor supervision will be given to help with these responsibilities.

31. How many residents has the program had over the past 10 years? 0

32. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed credentials on the: NA

- a. First submission?
- b. Second submission?
- c. Third submission or more?
- d. Never passed credentials?

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33. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) sat boards for the first time: [NA](#)

- a. The year they finished their residency?
- b. One year after finishing their residency?
- c. Two or more years after finishing?
- d. They never took boards?

34. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed the board exam on their: [NA](#)

- a. First time taking the exam?
- b. Second time taking the exam?
- c. Third time or more taking the exam?
- d. Never passed?

35. Is your residency program reviewed by an outside committee at your university? If yes, how often? [No](#)

36. Please list the papers published by your last 5 residents. [NA](#)

37. Names of your last 5 residents and whether they are willing to be contacted by potential residents: [NA](#)