

Detailed Program Description for ACVD Website

1. Program name and location:
 - i. Calgary Pet Dermatology Centre (Petderm) located in Calgary, AB, Canada.
2. Is the program currently on ACVD probation? 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.
 - i. No.
3. Mentors:

Name: Dr. Becky Valentine

 - i. Years in ACVD: 8 years DACVD® (AVCD 15 years)
 - ii. Years as a Mentor: 1 year (Internship 2019/2020)
4. Specific requirements for applying to the program:
 - i. Be a graduate of an ABVMA approved veterinary school or college or a graduate of an accredited and recognized school from another country.
 - ii. Have completed a one-year rotating or dermatology internship, or satisfactory clinic equivalency.
 - iii. Must acquire licensure (Academic license) to practice in the Province of Alberta, Canada.
 - iv. Be a member of the Canadian Veterinary Medicine Association (CVMA).
 - v. Abide by the ACVD Ethics Pledge and Code of Conduct, the AVMA Principles of Veterinary Medical Ethics (“PVME”), and applicable laws, and not have any felony (or equivalent) convictions.
 - vi. Abide by Petderm’s Core Values: integrity, honesty, solidarity, teamwork, kindness, response and compassion.
5. Length of residency in years:
 - i. 3
6. Is a Master’s degree or PhD required? If so, which?
 - i. Neither are required.
7. When was the residency first offered? No previous residency has been offered.
 - i. Has it been continuous since then? N/A
 - ii. If not continual, what years was the residency offered? N/A
8. How many residents have been accepted into the program since its inception? N/A
 - i. How many of these have become a board-certified dermatologists? N/A
9. What is the average annual dermatology caseload for the institution over the past 5 years?
 - i. 1,275
10. What is the average total caseload seen for the entire residency?
 - i. 3,750
11. On average, how many new patients, rechecks, and consults does the program see per year? (actual numbers of cases)
 - i. New cases: 472
 - ii. Rechecks: 801
12. Consults: 1,275

13. On average, what percentage of the program's cases are dogs and cats?
 - i. Dogs: 84%
 - ii. Cats: 15%
14. On average, how many exotic, equine, and farm animal cases does the program see per year?
 - i. Exotics: 3
 - ii. Equine: 5
 - iii. Farm animals: 0
15. What percentage of time is the mentor in clinic with the resident while the resident is seeing cases during the resident's first year?
 - i. The resident will have 90% to 100% access to the mentor at the primary location. If the mentor is not at the primary location, they will be available by phone or video chat to evaluate the case within an hour.
16. Does the program have access to other specialists?
 - i. Various specialists in other fields (internal medicine, surgery, oncology, ophthalmology, neurology, dentistry, cardiology, clinical pathology and pathology through the University of Calgary Veterinary Medicine (UCVM), Alberta Veterinary Dentistry, Calgary Animal Eye Clinic, Burwash Equine Services, Moore Equine Veterinary Centre Ltd., Calgary Zoo, Pulse Veterinary Specialists and Emergency, VCA Care Centre and VCA Western Vet Specialists.
 - ii. Petderm hosts a once-a-month clinic day with a board-certified Internal Medicine Veterinarian to address current patients with concurrent endocrine disease. The resident will have access to observe these clinic days.
17. Please describe your library access:
 - i. ACVD e-library system.
 - ii. Access to UCVM library system.
18. Does the program have statistical support for their residents' research projects?
 - i. Yes, Vicki J. Adams BSc (Agr) DVM MSc PhD MRVCS, Veterinary Epidemiology Consultant, Chief Executive, Animal Cancer Trust
19. 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 type of laboratories available and interactions that the resident may have with them.
 - i. Yes; pending research project laboratory access to basic or clinical science laboratories at the University of Calgary Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.
20. 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.)
 - i. Case rounds: Start daily of a minimum of 1 hour per day with Dr. Valentine, DVM, DACVD®, then gradually progress to weekly with a minimum of 2 hours per week.
 - ii. Journal club: Once weekly, for at least an hour, joining together with Anthony Yu, BSc. DVM, MS, DACVD®, Laura O'Shaunessy-Hunter DVM, DACVD®, and Dr. Liz Goodale DVM, DACVD® and residents at Veterinary Allergy Dermatology & Ear Referral Clinic.

- iii. Dermathohistopathology training: Biweekly with Erin Locke, DVM, DVSc, Diplomat ACVP, Chair of Dermatopathology service, Anatomic Pathologist, Antech Diagnostics. This will be virtual throughout the year, with at least one week of in-person training with Dr. Locke.
 - iv. Basic science learning rounds: Once monthly or biweekly for a minimum of 4 hours (based on in clinic schedule) with Becky Valentine, DVM, MS, DACVD®. Working through textbooks and online resources, there will be a structured course outline for the study of all basic and applied sciences related to dermatology. Areas of study will include genetics, biochemistry, embryology, anatomy and physiology of skin and adnexal structures, pathomechanisms of dermatological diseases, immunology, bacteriology, mycology, virology, parasitology, internal medicine, nutrition, oncology, pharmacology, clinical pathology, dermatohistopathology, and comparative dermatology. The breadth and depth of study will be sufficient to assure the resident has a firm foundation and is prepared for the ACVD Certifying Examination.
21. 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 benefits package).
- i. Salaried position: Yes, full time.
 - ii. Vacation: 2 weeks per year
 - iii. Health insurance: Extended benefits coverage with vision and dental.
 - iv. Additional benefits: Employee critical illness, long term disability insurance, and employee life insurance.
22. Does the program allow the resident to attend the NAVDF (North American Veterinary Dermatology Forum) meeting annually?
- i. Yes
23. Does the program pay for the resident to attend the NAVDF meeting annually?
- i. Yes
24. Average number of days a resident will spend on clinics per month:
- i. 16
25. Average number of days a resident will spend on non-clinical pursuits per month (not including Sundays or holidays):
- i. 4
26. Does the resident have to take general medicine emergency duty? No
- i. If so, how often: N/A
27. Does the resident take Dermatology emergency duty? Yes, if during clinic hours.
- i. If so, how often: 2-4 month
28. Is time allotted for externships in other subspecialties or at other dermatology practices? Yes
- i. If so, explain: Pulse Veterinary Specialists and Emergency in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, University of Calgary Veterinary Medicine located in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and North West Veterinary Dermatology in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Two-week rotations in each of the specialties for Internal Medicine (Pulse), Neurology (Pulse), and Clinical Pathology (UCVM) throughout the residency, as well as two, 2 week rotations with Dr. Allison Cox DVM DACVD® (North West Vet).

29. How much time is allotted off clinic for board preparation?
- i. We anticipate the residency to be completed by the end of August 2028 at the latest, allowing the resident ample time to study.
30. 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)?
- i. 12 weeks (4 weeks per year)
31. What are the other responsibilities / duties of the resident?
- i. Assist mentor with client communications and patient messages
 - ii. Assist technicians with patient management when the mentor is away (no clinical cases will be booked when the mentor is away, and the Resident has dedicated time for study/research time)
32. How many residents has the program had over the past 10 years?
- i. 0
33. How many / what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed credentials on the:
- i. First submission: N/A
 - ii. Second submission: N/A
 - iii. Third submission or more: N/A
 - iv. Never passed credentials: N/A
34. How many / what percentage of the above residents (questions 31) sat on boards for the first time:
- i. The year they finished their residency: N/A
 - ii. One year after finishing their residency: N/A
 - iii. Two or more years after finishing: N/A
 - iv. They never took boards: N/A
35. How many / what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed the board exam on their:
- i. First time taking the exam: N/A
 - ii. Second time taking the exam: N/A
 - iii. Third time or more taking the exam: N/A
 - iv. Never passed: N/A
36. Is your residency program reviewed by an outside committee at your university? N/A
- i. If yes, how often? N/A
37. Please list the paper published by your last 5 residents.
- i. N/A
38. Names of your last 5 residents and whether they are willing to be contacted by potential residents: N/A