



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the AEVNT? The AEVNT is the Academy of Equine Veterinary Nursing Technicians. This Academy was created by members of the AA EVT in 2009. The Academy was created to enable equine veterinary technicians with a focus in nursing to become recognized as a specialist in their field.

Q: Is the Academy a school that I can attend? No, the Academy not a school, specific location or course. Membership to the Academy can only be achieved through acceptance of the application and passing the examination provided annually.

Q: When am I eligible to apply for the AEVNT? Requirements for application to the AEVNT are as follows; you must be a credentialed veterinary technician, must have a minimum of 3 years (5000hrs) of work experience with 75% (3750 hours) working within the specialized area of equine veterinary nursing and must have been credentialed during that time which must also be immediately proceeding the application time. An applicant must fulfill the basic skills associated with equine nursing. Membership in AA EVT and NAVTA is not required; however is strongly encouraged.

Q: How do I start? Details on the application process are available under the "apply" tab. This includes all the current application deadlines, forms and application checklist.

Q: What are the benefits to becoming a VTS-EVN? First and foremost, the professional satisfaction of accomplishing the goal of attaining this specialty. Secondly, many employers will recognize that you are more specialized and stand out above the other technicians. There may be a chance of monetary increase as well.

Q: What if my current practice doesn't enable me to complete all the specialized skills within equine veterinary nursing? As long as the basic skills and most of the required skills you perform at your practice as covered, you can seek some supplemental experience at another facility to gain proficiency in the areas that you do not get the opportunity to work much in. Contact the Academy at info@aevnt.org to get a list of current facilities.

Q: Who decides if my application is approved? The applications are reviewed by the AEVNT board or organizing committee comprised of VTS-EVNs. The application review process includes review by at least three members of the board or organizing committee before a decision is made.

Q: What if I fail the exam? Can I retest? Failure of the test is not appealable. If you fail the examination, you may, through a written request within 30 days of notification of failure, request to sit the next exam. Applicants will be able to sit the exam a total of three times with their initial application submission packet. A new application packet will be required thereafter.