PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

CVE 6.5 points

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Dear Colleagues,

It is a genuine pleasure to invite you to the 11th Annual UCD Veterinary Hospital (UCDVH) Conference on July 15th 2016; this is my first year as Clinical Director and it is only now that I fully appreciate the efforts that Hester, my other colleagues here in UCD, and Event Plus have undertaken in previous years to make this an outstanding success.

UCDVH Conference Day is incredibly important to us as it allows us meet and host a huge number of valued colleagues in many walks of our profession. In addition, we get to invite many world renowned speakers to educate us in advances/current best practice within their specialist fields. We look upon the day as a small way of saying thank you to the profession for case referrals and the immense effort many of you make in supporting our student Clinical EMS programme.

This year, we are covering 5 streams, with the advent of a Veterinary Public Health stream for the first time. In addition, and bearing in mind the increasing business complexities of practice, our Commercial Manager (Bernadette Rafter) has organized an early morning lecture to address key aspects of succession and tax planning. Based on your feedback from previous conferences, the main topics selected in most streams relate to various aspects of emergency medicine and surgery, as well as pain recognition and analgesic modalities. We are grateful also to the VCI for awarding 6.5 CPD points for the day (on the strict condition that I wouldn’t be giving any lectures!!).

The social aspect of the day is equally important and as always, the meal and coffee breaks are designed to allow you catch up with friends and colleagues in a very informal setting, as well as view the numerous exhibition stands that highlight what’s new in our therapeutic / practice arsenal. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors for their continued support. I believe it will be a cracking day and thank you all sincerely for the support you continue to show us in attending this event each year.

With best wishes,

Rory Breathnach
Clinical Director

General Information (in alphabetical order)

CVE: 6.5 CVE points are available to vets and nurses attending the conference including the Early Morning Succession Planning and Tax session. Delegates must sign the Veterinary Council Register at the Registration Desk at the end of the day. The organisers cannot be responsible for any delegate who does not sign the register.

Exhibition: The commercial exhibition will be located in O’Reilly Hall and opens from 09:00-17:15. Sponsorship & Exhibition packs available from the Conference Secretariat; Email: jane@eventplus.ie or Tel:+353 1 2302591.

Lunch and Coffee Breaks: Breaks will be served in O’Reilly Hall and they are scheduled according to the stream programmes in the Programme Overview section.

Registration: Register using the online Registration Form at www.ucd.ie/uvh or submit Registration by using the form enclosed to: Email: info@eventplus.ie / Fax: +353 1 2302594

Fees:

VETERINARY PRACTITIONER
Early Fee €99 before 19th June 2016
(€165 after 20th June)

VETERINARY NURSE
Early Fee €85 before 19th June 2016
(€95 after 20th June)

ANIMAL CARE ATTENDANT
Early Fee €15 before 19th June 2016
(€20 after 20th June)

The Registration Fees for the conference include:

• Participation in stream of your choice (Small Animal Medicine/Small Animal Surgery/Veterinary Public Health/ Equine/ Nurses/Animal Care Attendant Session*)
• Full access to the commercial exhibition
• Conference bag including Final Programme / Notes
• Coffee breaks, Lunch and Social Reception

*Animal Care Attendant Session 16:15-17:15 includes Coffee Break at 15:45-16:15 only

Social Reception: Participating delegates and exhibitors are invited to a Wine & Canapé Reception in the Atrium at O’Reilly Hall which will be held immediately following the lectures at 17:15
**Programme Information**

1. **Succession Planning & Taxation**
The HLB Sheehan Quinn team, led by Managing Partner, Mark Butler, offer specialist accounting and taxation services to veterinary practices. Donal Leahy is the Tax Partner at the firm. With their knowledge and experience of the profession, HLB Sheehan Quinn support and advise Veterinary Practitioners through a number of business phases from initial business acquisition and investment structures, to reducing taxation and enhancing tax relief opportunities. Mark understands that succession decisions are critical in sustaining organisational performance and success. Donal helps individuals and families to ensure that they meet all their taxation compliance requirements, as well as helping them with their tax planning and structuring needs. Both have relevant advice to share with you at this year’s Conference. The question and answer session at the end of the presentation will include all aspects of SME Veterinary practice ownership and management, including a general discussion on the possibility and benefits of Incorporation.

2. **Small Animal Medicine** *The complexities of supposedly common cases*
What is seldom is wonderful? We all enjoy the occasional challenge of obscure and complex cases. But what about the more commonly encountered medicine cases, are they always mundane? This year the Small Animal Medicine stream has a practical focus. It will address common medical presentations, such as anaemic animals, the dog or cat with ocular disease or those with neurological signs. The aim is to present a structured investigation for these common, yet sometimes complex problems. For those of you who enjoy a bit more excitement, topics such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation and endocrine emergencies will be included. Case examples will be used to illustrate the topics being covered. Interactive audience participation will be strongly encouraged. An internationally renowned group of speakers has been organized and as is usual we are pleased to have the human medical side represented, providing insight into pediatric intensive care.

3. **Small Animal Surgery** *Putting Humpty together again: Surgical management of the poly-trauma patient*
Does your heart begin to race when you learn that a poly-trauma case is on its way? Do you find it challenging to decide on the correct approach to your patient, what injuries demand immediate attention and what ones can wait? In recent years there have been significant advances and improvements in the outcomes for our trauma patients. There are a plethora of diagnostic techniques now at our disposal and an ever increasing range of surgical treatment options available. This lecture and case-based stream will provide a truly multidisciplinary approach, utilising a number of specialists to provide in depth knowledge on the various aspects of trauma management. Participants will develop their knowledge and clinical decision-making in the principles of triage/stabilisation, imaging, anaesthesia and surgical treatment and return to their practices with renewed confidence for managing these highly challenging but equally rewarding cases.

4. **Equine** *Practical solutions to everyday challenges*
Conquering worm and eye disease. In the morning we will look at the perennial problem of equine internal parasites. In the face of an ever increasing worm resistance problem, we will take you step by step through the current research. By sharing the most up to date recommendations, the aim is to prepare you to give your client the most effective advice on evidence-based parasite control programs. In the afternoon sessions, we switch to ophthalmology. Our two experienced and entertaining speakers will share with you the wealth of their many years experience diagnosing and treating conditions of the equine eye. Whether you are looking for a quick refresher on the basics, or some insight into the latest treatments, there will be something for everyone in this session full of practical advice.

5. **Veterinary Nurses** *Pain assessment & multi-modal approaches to management*
As animals are unable to verbally communicate pain it’s particularly important to be able to recognise both the obvious and not so obvious signs of pain. Pain assessment can be complicated by external factors and as it often falls to a carer to recognise and interpret signs of pain, there are two sessions dedicated to recognising the signs of stress versus pain in dogs and cats aimed at all levels. This will be followed by a more advanced session on pain recognition and scoring with the focus on the use of pain scales. The afternoon sessions will focus on multi-modal approaches to pain management including pre-emptive and multi-modal analgesia and a variety of practical physical therapy modalities.

6. **Veterinary Public Health**
The role of animals and food in the spread of antimicrobial resistance is the subject of debate worldwide and has consequences for the use of antimicrobials by the veterinary profession. With the legislation surrounding veterinary medicines currently under review at European level, this stream will examine the controls on veterinary antimicrobial use introduced in Denmark and the Netherlands and the consequences of these controls for animal health and welfare, public health and the veterinary profession. It will also explore current knowledge and practice on antimicrobial use and resistance in human and animal health in Ireland.
Venue and Directions

The venues for the conference are the Veterinary Sciences Centre and O’Reilly Hall at University College Dublin campus in Belfield, Dublin 4. Registration and coffee and lunch breaks will take place in O’Reilly Hall and lectures will take place in the Veterinary Sciences Centre.

Access to UCD

By Car: The campus is just off the N11 and approximately a 15 minute drive from the M50 at Dundrum (Junction 13). The GPS Co-ordinates for the main UCD N11 entrance are: N 53 18'32.3 W 6 13'06.1

Dublin Bus: The following are the buses that stop on campus in UCD Dublin Bus routes 46a, 39a, 145 and 17 provide a direct bus services to the Belfield campus. Route 39a can be boarded at Bachelors Walk (stop no 313) and College Street (stop no 349) in Dublin City Centre. Dublin Bus routes 46a from Phoenix Park via Upper O’Connell St (stop no 6059), 46e from Blackrock Station (stop no 3085), 47 from Pearse St via Lower Grafton St (stop no 402) and 145 from Heuston Station (stop no 4320). Use the free Dublin Bus App, available to download from the Apple App Store, to get real-time departure information by stop no, route, address or GPS position.

Aircoach from Dublin Airport: Aircoach operates a service from Dublin Airport to Leopardstown / Sandyford / Stillorgan which passes UCD. Further details available at http://www.aircoach.ie

Train: Dublin is served by two main railway stations: Dublin Connolly and Dublin Heuston. From Dublin Connolly Bus 32x can be taken to UCD Belfield. Dublin Bus route 145 from Dublin Heuston serves UCD’s main entrance. For further information please visit http://www.irishrail.ie

UCD Campus Map

31 - Main Entrance to UCD from Stillorgan Road
78 - Veterinary Sciences Centre UCD (Lectures)
45 - O’Reilly Hall (Registration, Exhibition, Coffee, Lunch)
Trade Exhibition & Sponsorship
Exhibition space and sponsorship opportunities are available to industry. Coffee and Lunch Breaks will be served in the Exhibition area at O’Reilly Hall.

To book an exhibition space and for further information on other sponsorship opportunities; inserts in bags, advertising etc. please contact Jane or Irene at the Conference Secretariat at Tel: +353 1 2302591 or info@eventplus.ie

Exhibition Plan

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