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The AVIP Preceptor Communiqué

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Our Clinical Program Administration team is dedicated to supporting a strong, collaborative clinical education experience for our students and our Affiliated Veterinary Instructional Partners. We guide the development of our semi-distributed clinical teaching model and oversee the growth and readiness of clinical sites across the region. Together with you, our valued preceptors, we work to create meaningful, hands-on learning opportunities that help students build confidence and competence as future veterinarians.

We coordinate student rotation placements and scheduling, provide ongoing support throughout clinical experiences, and manage training, onboarding, and communication to ensure our partnerships remain strong and successful. Our team also leads accreditation and compliance efforts, maintains student safety and regulatory standards, and supports competency tracking and program evaluation to continually improve the clinical education experience.

Thank you for your commitment to mentoring our students and helping them achieve the skills and professional readiness required to succeed as day-one veterinarians. We could not do this without you!

Formation of the AVIP Acceptance Committee (AAC)

We are pleased to announce the establishment of the Affiliated Veterinary Instructional Partner (AVIP) Approval Committee (AAC) and the formal ratification of its governing bylaws.

The committee includes three standing members of the clinical programs team: our Associate Dean, Director, and Coordinator. Additional members include faculty, staff, veterinary students and community representatives.

The purpose of the AAC is to cultivate high-quality clinical educational opportunities that align with our curriculum, support continuous improvement, and prepare students to become thriving day-one-ready veterinarians who can serve both rural and urban communities throughout Utah and beyond.

Through thoughtful evaluation, collaboration, and a commitment to excellence, the AAC helps ensure our clinical partnerships remain strong, innovative, and well-supported.

The AAC plays a key role in strengthening the mission of the USU College of Veterinary Medicine by:

- Establishing eligibility criteria and expectations for prospective AVIPs
- Reviewing and approving applications for clinical site and preceptor partnerships
- Conducting annual reviews of AVIP status and addressing feedback from students and Clinical Liaison Veterinarians
- Ensuring that our program meets accreditation requirements related to clinical education

Veterinary Medical Education Building Update

Exciting progress continues with our Veterinary Medical Education (VME) building, the future home of the Utah State University College of Veterinary Medicine! Construction remains on track, with completion anticipated for late June 2026.

Faculty and staff are expected to move in during July 2026, followed by the arrival of our first- and second-year veterinary students in mid-August. The new facility will feature state-of-the-art classrooms, teaching laboratories, and collaborative spaces designed to foster innovation and hands-on learning experiences for our students.

We invite you to follow the building's progress in real time through our live construction webcam.

Each new milestone brings us closer to opening a world-class space that will serve as a hub for veterinary education, research, and community outreach — a place where our students, faculty, staff, and partners can thrive together.