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**Sold-Out Veterinary Technician Symposium Leads  
WVC to Create Two Events for 2018**

**LAS VEGAS, NEVADA (July 24, 2018)** – [WVC](#), producers of the widely regarded WVC Annual Veterinary Conference, has announced two [Veterinary Technician Symposia](#) for 2018. Each event offers 24 hours of continuing education credits and a unique opportunity for veterinary technicians to increase their knowledge, sharpen their skills, and experience unparalleled networking to collaborate and collect new ideas. These specialized sessions are the only stand-alone, hands-on continuing education events available that are specifically designed for veterinary technicians. The next Veterinary Technician Symposium, “Surgery, Pain Management, and Rehabilitation” sponsored by Banfield Pet Hospital, NAVTA, and Pathway Vet Alliance, is set for August 6-8, 2018. Due to overwhelming demand and multiple years of selling out a single event, WVC recognized the need for additional technician-focused events. These events provide veterinary technicians with in-depth knowledge in critical practice areas. As a result, WVC will now produce two events this year. The June symposium was a success with a packed house and the second event is on track to repeat with attendance nearing capacity.

The Veterinary Technician Symposia are led by fellow veterinary technicians and leaders in the field. These expert-led sessions share today’s most innovative instructional approaches and technology-present, skill-based training in critical practice areas. Participants work in small groups and rotate through active learning stations so that they all benefit from authority-centered lectures and cooperative, small-group interaction. Hands-on labs round out the curriculum as individuals

work with state-of-the-art equipment under the guidance of veteran instructors and knowledgeable equipment representatives.

These events take place at the 70,000-square-foot, world-famous Oquendo Center in Las Vegas. The center is a one-of-a-kind facility which caters to a variety of veterinary training and education, including hands-on labs, lectures, and professional and career development workshops.

“Participants get hands-on training from experts and are able to practice new skills under direct supervision,” said Dr. Anthony Pease, chief veterinary medical officer at WVC. “In this highly collaborative environment, technicians share their experiences, instructors share best practices, and everyone is able to learn in a collegial environment with extensive face-to-face time. These events help us foster a community of highly-trained professionals that will return to their practices ready to improve patient care.”

While the seminars are primarily focused on enhancing participants’ technical skills, these courses also strive to grow and strengthen the veterinary community. An opening reception and opportunities to network serve to enhance the experience—participants have a great time and make valuable connections as they interact with a like-minded group of technicians.

“Attending the Veterinary Technician Symposium has inspired me,” commented Teresa Stefan, LVT. “I’ve been a licensed vet tech for almost 25 years and my passion is to see our profession develop to its full potential, by educating, supporting, and encouraging the technicians we have, as well as building up the next generation of technicians. I can see that this is exactly what this event is about! The content was practical and the format was great because it gave time for each attendee to actually practice the skill set that was being taught.”

The “Behavior, Anesthesia, Ultrasound” event took place June 25-27, 2018. Special thanks to sponsors Banfield Pet Hospital, NAVTA, Pathway Vet Alliance, and FujiSonosite for helping to make it a success. Visit [wvc.org](http://wvc.org) to view pictures of the sessions and the fun. For more information and to register for the “Surgery, Pain Management, and Rehabilitation” Veterinary Technician Symposium, August 6-8, 2018, visit [wvc.org/vts-aug](http://wvc.org/vts-aug).

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