

**RESOLUTION #14—2025**  
**Regular Annual Session**

Submitted by  
Board of Directors

**Model Veterinary Practice Act**

**RESOLVED**, that the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) House of Delegates adopt the revised Model Veterinary Practice Act (MVPA) as noted in the [attachment](#) (additions are underlined; deletions are ~~struckthrough~~); recent edits are highlighted).

**Statement about the Resolution**

The Council on Veterinary Service (COVS) returned to discussion of the MVPA after completion of the PVME last year. The current revision process began in 2022 when the (CoVS) began identifying policies that had components in the MVPA and developed a process to determine whether any substantive changes had been made to those policies that would impact the MVPA. The CoVS also considered current trends in practice act legislation and regulations.

In 2023, the creation of an expanded working group was approved by the AVMA Board of Directors (BOD), and that group began meeting in the fall of 2023. The expanded working group comprised representatives from the following entities: CoVS, Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA), Student AVMA (SAVMA), Professional Liability Insurance Trust (PLIT), FDA/CVM, Veterinary Medical Association Executives (VMAE), the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB), the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP), American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP), the American Association of Swine Veterinarians (AASV), and AVMA staff. Additional organizations were invited but were not able to participate. The expanded working group held numerous videoconferences and conducted three in-person meetings.

The DRAFT 2025 MVPA was posted for member comments on November 14, 2024 through February 14, 2025. Comments were received from members, veterinary specialty associations, and an allied veterinary group. CoVS met in-person to review all comments on February 20-21, 2025.

This draft of the MVPA has been rearranged into relevant groups of sections. A new section for telemedicine was added. Similar to veterinarians, veterinary technicians/veterinary technologists are now referred to as “licensed” in the MVPA, moving away from other terms, including “credentialed” and “registered,” that have been used to refer to what is actually a licensing process.

**Financial Impact:** None

	Board of Directors	House Advisory Committee	Reference Committee #6	House of Delegates
Recommend Approval	X	X		
Recommend Disapproval				
Recommend Referral to...				
No Recommendation				
Recommend Postpone Indefinitely				
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