



Net Vet Weekly - August 17, 2020

COVID-19 News

The Veterinary Medical Hospital is now accepting appointments for non-emergency cases. Curbside admission and discharge protocols, social distancing and proper PPE remain in place.

Online CE is available. For a list of all courses available, the cost, and where to register visit [Online Professional Development](#).

All COVID-19 related information can be viewed in detail on the College of Veterinary Medicine website at [COVID-19 Updates](#).

August Employees of the Month



Katie Gaffney



Christine Nichols



Deborah Shields

Congratulations to the 2020 August Employees of the Month!

- **Katie Gaffney**, senior technician at the Oklahoma Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, has been serving as interim laboratory manager in the molecular diagnostics section. For the past

College Launches Integrative Beef Cattle Program for Veterinarians

Thanks to a USDA grant, the College of Veterinary Medicine, in partnership with other entities, is launching phase 1 of the Integrative Beef Cattle Program for Veterinarians.

Veterinarians, veterinary students and producers are being asked to complete surveys to gather data that will identify the needs the program will address in phases 2 and 3. Read the full article and watch a short video to learn more at the [Integrative Beef Cattle Program for Veterinarians](#).

Vesicular Stomatitis Update

OSU Extension invites you to a Zoom meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 18, at 6 p.m. to cover a vesicular stomatitis update and movement requirements. Contact **Dr. Barry Whitworth** at barry.whitworth@okstate.edu for the meeting link.

House Officer Seminar

Natasha Williams, BVSc (Hons), MANZCVS (Equine Medicine), will present "Evaluation of the

three months, she has successfully kept animal testing and animal clients on track while OADDL runs COVID-19 testing during the pandemic. An extremely hard worker, Katie always meets challenges with an easy going manner and a great attitude. We could not do what we do without her. She is crucial to the success of the molecular division at OADDL.

- **Christine Nichols**, continuing education coordinator at the Veterinary Medical Hospital, was instrumental in launching the first CVM online CE course for veterinarians. Working closely with the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs and the Oklahoma Veterinary Board, she helped develop the course curriculum, instructional videos, and images to meet DEA registrant requirements. Christine's leadership, hard work and vision helped develop Fall Conference and Summer Seminar online. She single handedly input all information into the registration platform without missing a detail. She is a team player who shares her knowledge with others across OSU for all to benefit.
- **Deborah Shields** works in the Dean's office in McElroy Hall. She helps the college run, is constantly willing to help anyone, and shares her knowledge daily. She is the right hand Dean Risco could not do without. Deborah is always looking for ways to make the CVM more efficient and a better place to work. She demonstrates what it means to be a great team player, employee and person. If we all worked as hard, with as much compassion as she does, we would have one amazing place. Sometimes people are overlooked because they do their job so well making it look easy - this is Deborah.

Hypoxaemic Neonate" on Thursday, Aug. 20, at 8 a.m. in Room 002C at the Veterinary Medical Hospital.

Dr. Williams is a third year food animal medicine and surgery resident mentored by **Dr. Stefano Di Concetto**. The recorded lecture will be available on Moodle in the course VBSC 6710.

Fall Conference

With the ongoing pandemic, Fall Conference will be virtual. Participate from the comfort of your home or office on Wednesday - Friday, Nov. 4 - 6, 2020. Registration will open Sept. 1. Read more at [Fall Conference 2020](#).

Getting to Know You



Alexa Hunter, DVM, is an anatomic pathology resident. Originally from Folsom, California, she earned her DVM degree from Oklahoma State University in 2020. Dr. Hunter's research interests include pathology in relation to infectious disease and parasitology.

Alexa and her husband are high school sweethearts. He is a crew chief in the U.S. Air Force based at Tinker Air Force Base. In her spare time, Alexa enjoys reading novels, watching nerdy TV/movies with her husband, nature walks, kayaking and spending time with friends.

Favorite Quote: "If the human brain were so simple that we could understand it, we would be so simple that we couldn't." - Emerson Pugh



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