

Definitions and Acronyms

Accredited School: Veterinary school accredited by the AVMA

Non-Accredited School: Veterinary school not accredited by the AVMA

NSVMA: Nova Scotia Veterinary Medical Association

AVMA: American Veterinary Medical Association

CVMA: Canadian Veterinary Medical Association

NEB: National Examining Board

ECFVG: Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates

AAVSB: American Association of Veterinary State Boards

PAVE: Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence

NAVLE: North American Veterinary Licensing Examination

PSA: Preliminary Surgical Assessment

BCSE: Basic Clinical Sciences Examination

CPE: Clinical Proficiency Examination

C of Q: Certificate of Qualification

Preceptorship: Offered by the NSVMA to a qualified person who is a graduate of a veterinary school and has been accepted to by the CVMA-NEB to write the PSA and CPE after passing the NAVLE and BSCE; offered by the NSVMA to a student who is enrolled in their final year at an approved veterinary school.

Preceptor: a member of the NSVMA who holds a general practice license and who is approved by Council to supervise the qualified person.

AMR course: Anti-microbial Resistance course

RVT: Registered Veterinary Technician/Technologist

VTNE: Veterinary Technician National Examination

EVTA: Eastern Veterinary Technicians Association