Report of Activities 2018
Member Association – Annual Report

Please fill in the name of your association and write a report of the activities of your association during the year 2018. This could include activities such as continuing education events, national congresses, creation of resources/policies for your veterinarians, board meetings, campaigns and many more.

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VPAT stands for the Veterinary Practitioners Association of Thailand, an organization founded in 1968 as a club with no more than 10 veterinarians determined to improve the standard of veterinary practice in Thailand. At present the club has become one of the nation’s most prominent veterinary associations with members reaching 5,929 (as of November 2018). VPAT generates activities to support the veterinarian in clinical and academic expertise, ethical and social issues and legal matters. One of the key elements required to achieve its goal in unifying standards in veterinary practice is sustainable continuing education.

VPAT objectives

- Represent the veterinary profession and specifically its members
- Develop, provide and monitor continuing professional development for veterinarians
- Provide education and training for associated individuals and allied professionals
- Promote the veterinary profession and work proactively with other organisations, professions and public
Our activities:

I. Continuing Education Program (CE-VPAT)

This program is not about organizing seminars but about establishing the philosophy that continuing education is not an activity, but a lifetime commitment of continued learning and self-improvement for people who choose this profession.

The seminars and workshops are conducted in English by specialist tutors from around the world. It is held in an interactive format whereby participants can discuss cases and present problems encountered in everyday practice. At present we hold 1 main international and 10 national seminars/workshops per year.

Since its conception in 1995, CE-VPAT attracts participants from over 9 countries in Asia creating a vibrant atmosphere of interchange amongst practitioners in the region and is also one of the most exotic venues to do so!

Topic: Diagnosing and managing the diseases of adrenal glands with confidence
Speaker: VPAT
Date: 29 January 2018

Topic: Surgery TSVS Seminar Series: Let Our Journey Begin!!
Speaker: VPAT
Date: 21 February 2018

Topic: Essential Female Reproduction
Speaker: VPAT
Date: 27 March 2018

Topic: Hematologic disorders in veterinary medicine
Speaker: VPAT
Date: 16 May 2018

Topic: Myths or mistakes in management cardiac patients
Speaker: VPAT
Date: 22 August 2018
Topic: Ophthalmic Examination, Diagnosis and Treatments Workshop: From Basic to Advance  
Speaker: VPAT  
Date: 4 September 2018

Topic: One day CE-VPAT: Turtle & Tortoise Medicine  
Speaker: VPAT  
Date: 12 September 2018

Topic: Small Animal Endoscopy workshop  
Speaker: VPAT  
Date: 2-6 October 2018

Topic: Treating skin disease with confidence seminar  
Speaker: VPAT  
Date: 22 November 2018

Topic: Diagnosis and treatment of common eye diseases  
Speaker: VPAT  
Date: 11 December 2018

Topic: One Day CE-VPAT: Current treatments for neurological disorders before 2019 comes through  
Speaker: VPAT  
Date: 19 December 2018
II. VPAT Regional Veterinary Congress – our very own annual regional gathering

For the past 12 years VPAT has organized its annual veterinary conference with international and national speakers sharing their expertise. As the goodwill generated through our CE activities found more practitioners from neighboring countries attending each event we decided to transform our national conference into a regional congress.

The VPAT Regional Veterinary Congress 2007 was conceived as a pilot program to assess the potential and interest of veterinarians in the region in creating an annual congress at one specific location. Since then it has become an annual event at least 1,200 practitioners who face similar challenges in clinical practice to attend. The comfortable sized congress has become a meeting place amongst friends to learn, exchange ideas and is also a showcase for regional speakers. The endeavour to create a “One veterinary practice standard for the region” has become our mutual aspiration as we continue on the path of professional development together.

The 11th VPAT Regional Veterinary Congress - VRVC 2018

Dates: 23 – 26 July 2018

Venue: IMPACT Forum building at IMPACT Exhibition and Convention Center, Nontaburi, THAILAND
ENCOURAGING PET COMPANIONSHIP

VRVC 2018
THE 11th VPAT REGIONAL VETERINARY CONGRESS 2018
23-26 JULY 2018
HALL 9 IMPACT FORUM
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III. The Journal of Thai Veterinary Practitioners

This is a peer reviewed scientific journal for practicing veterinarians in Thailand. The contents comprise of research articles, tutorials, review articles and case reports all supporting the veterinarian to achieve excellence in practice and academic competency. It is published quarterly by the VPAT editorial committee and distributed free of charge to all VPAT member.
IV. Academic camp for new graduates

VPAT organizes a subsidized program for new graduates in an informal academic camp to prepare the young veterinarian for their professional life. The program strives to generate a unifying approach to veterinary practice and ethical conduct for each new generation entering the profession. The camp is held annually.
V. VPAT Academy

VPAT also organizes basic academic classes to wrap up the knowledge in every field in small animal veterinary practice. The objective of the classes are mainly to help wrap up and update basic veterinary knowledge for veterinary students, so that all vet students could have a chance to reach the same standard of basic knowledge in small veterinary practice with free of charge. Lecturers of these classes are lecturers from top rank veterinary universities in Thailand and the lectures are held monthly.
3rd VPAT ACADEMY LIVE

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BASIC CONSIDERATION OF RABBITS & EXOTIC EXAMINATION

Saturday 2nd DEC, 2017
20.00-22.00 hrs.

VPAT ACADEMY SATURDAY LIVE #5
24 MAR 2018 : 20.00-22.00

RESPIRATORY
A Clinical Approach to Cardiorespiratory Diseases

VPAT ACADEMY SATURDAY LIVE #6
21 APR 2018 : 20.00-22.00

OPHTHALMOLOGY
Basic Eyes Examination in dogs and cats

VPAT ACADEMY SATURDAY LIVE #7
19 May 2018 : 20.00 - 22.00

DERMATOLOGY
Basic Skin Examination and Diagnosis in Companion Animals

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VI. VPAT Vet Nurse

To improve the spectrum of animal care professionals, continuing education for veterinary nurses has been included in our congress streams and CE activities.
VII. VPAT News and Website

Both are our source of information to members. VPAT News is published monthly and is a broadbased newsletter offering both technical and non-technical information including news and concerns of the profession.
VIII. VPAT and Animal Welfare:

**Responsible Pet Ownership Program (VPAT-RPO)**

Apart from our mission to develop the standard of veterinary practice, VPAT also strives to develop the role in which the profession can better serve society. At the VPAT Regional Veterinary Congress 2007, VPAT signed the **Universal Declaration on Animal Welfare**, a global campaign initiated by the World Society for Protection of Animals to raise 10 million supported signatures by 2010. The stand generated from this declaration is in accordance with the veterinary profession’s commitment to be in stewardship of all animals and creates social impact on the way we as human beings treat life itself. Consequential to this, the Responsible Pet Ownership Program was founded as a veterinarian and pet owner interface to work together for animal welfare.
IX. Thailand Animal Hospital Standards and Accreditations (TAHSA): VPAT is the founder of TAHSA