



WSAVA Oncology Working Group (WoW)

Job description for Members

December 2020

WoW is looking for 4 new members to join the committee.

The committee members work collaboratively with other WSAVA committees and international stakeholders to identify projects and opportunities to promote animal welfare and wellness. These include projects in conjunction with the annual WSAVA Congress and additional online training, guidelines, and other technical resources.

The mission of the WoW

The WoW mission is to help overcome the asymmetric degrees of regional veterinary oncology development, resource limitations (both financial and human), and active communication (based on both language and cultural nuances). Also, to improve tumor awareness, communication, and vigilance for our global community and our pet parents. Finally, the WSAVA Oncology Working Group believes in 'One Health' or 'One Medicine' vision. The concept encompasses the human population, domestic animals and wildlife, and the impact of environmental changes ('environmental health') such as global cancer hazards. The small companion animals (principally dogs and cats) share their lives in the same environment as their owners; thus, they are exposed to the same factors that postulate them as "sentinels" of pathologies such as cancer.

Committee Structure

The committee is composed of one Chair, in addition to other members. Members come from all regions of the world.

Regional representation

including North and South America, Australasia, Europe or Africa

Professional Requirements

Desired skill sets and professional requirements:

- 🐾 Demonstrable interest and experience in small animal oncology
- 🐾 Additional qualifications in animal oncology or related fields
- 🐾 Ability and willingness to work hard and cooperatively as a member of a small, dynamic, enthusiastic team
- 🐾 A Veterinarian in private/specialty practice,
- 🐾 A member of a WSAVA national member



Responsibilities and Expectations

Member roles, responsibilities, and expectations include:

- ❖ Attend 1-hour teleconference meetings held every other month
- ❖ Attend annual in-person committee meeting held at WSAVA Congress
- ❖ Contribute innovative ideas to advance WoW mission
- ❖ Response to email/electronic communication in a timely manner
- ❖ Continuously assess and identify opportunities regarding animal oncology for WoW

Term of Office

- ❖ **Hours/week:** Expected total time involvement (excluding WSAVA congress) 1-2 hours per week
- ❖ **Term:** three years, with the possibility to renew once

Application Process

- ❖ Applicant must provide:
 - *Curriculum Vitae*
 - *Letter of Intent*
 - [Completed Application Form](#)
 - *Photograph*
 - *Letter of Support from WSAVA Member Association**
- ❖ Applications should be sent to the WSAVA Secretariat [admin@wsava.org]
- ❖ Applications should be submitted before **31st of January 2021**

**All nominees for membership of any WSAVA committee/group are required to provide a letter of Good Standing from the WSAVA member organisation of which they are a member. This requirement does not apply to nominees who are not members of a WSAVA organisation (e.g. non-veterinarians) whose expertise may be necessary for specialist committees/groups. A person of Good Standing is defined as someone who has complied with all explicit obligations of the association and who is not subject to any form of sanction, suspension or disciplinary censure. This letter is not a recommendation from the association that the nominee is the best person for the position. WSAVA committee positions are not chosen by member organisations - the Committee Chair ultimately decides on the best candidate for the position and the choice is ratified by the Leadership and Nominations Committee and the Executive Board. This letter indicates only that the WSAVA member association has no objection to the nomination.*