

PRESS INFORMATION

WSAVA Webinar: Diet history - the missing link in your diagnostic approach?

8.00 pm UTC, Thursday December 9 2021

The World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA) is to host a free webinar to discuss the importance of taking a diet history as part of diagnostic approach. The webinar will be led by Dr Cecillia Villaverde, Co-chair of the WSAVA's Global Nutrition Committee. During her presentation she will explore:

- The contribution of diet history in diagnosis
- How to prepare a diet history
- How to assess the data once collated.

She commented: "With inadequate diets a significant contributor to pathology and some nutrient-sensitive diseases requiring dietary modifications, a detailed diet history provides the vital nutritional information needed to enable the tailoring of specific dietary interventions to the needs of the individual animal. It also offers an opportunity to open a dialogue about their animal's dietary needs with their owner.

"During the webinar we will explore the importance of a diet history as part of a nutritional assessment or diagnostic work up. We will also discuss how to prepare a comprehensive diet history and review how data collected during this process should be assessed."

The webinar will be moderated by WSAVA Committee Chair, Dr Martin Soberano, and will include a live Q&A.

The Global Nutrition Committee is one of the WSAVA's longest-serving Committees and promotes the importance of high-quality nutrition for companion animals and the central role of the veterinary healthcare team as the expert source of nutritional information. It has created a set of WSAVA Global Nutrition Guidelines, together with a regularly updated Global Nutrition Toolkit, for use by veterinary teams. Both are available in a range of languages. The Committee's members are based around the world and hold different roles within the profession. They lecture and publish widely on all aspects of nutrition for companion animals.

The work of the Global Nutrition Committee is generously supported by Hill's Pet Nutrition, the Purina Institute and Royal Canin but the Committee operates independently and does not endorse, approve, recommend or support specific products or companies.

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The WSAVA represents more than 200,000 veterinarians worldwide through its 115 member associations and works to enhance standards of clinical care for companion animals. Its core activities include the development of WSAVA Global Guidelines in key areas of veterinary practice, including pain management, nutrition and vaccination, together with lobbying on important issues affecting companion animal care worldwide.

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