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**THE SOCIETY FOR
VETERINARY
MEDICAL ETHICS**

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WHO WE ARE

The Society for Veterinary Medical Ethics was founded in 1994 by a group of veterinary medical professionals and academics to promote discussion and debate about ethical issues arising in and relevant to veterinary medical practice.



SVME PURPOSE

To increase the understanding of the philosophical, social, moral and ethical values encountered by the veterinary profession.

To encourage ethical practices and professional behavior of veterinarians in all aspects of the profession.



MEMBERSHIP

The SVME is a multidisciplinary group. Membership is not limited to veterinarians.
Annual Dues:
Regular- \$60
Students - Free

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WHAT WE DO

- Publish a monthly newsletter.
- Sponsors a student essay contest.
- Holds a plenary meeting with lectures and discussions at the AVMA annual convention.
- Distributes information regarding recent publications relevant to veterinary ethics.
- Hosts a listserv which allows discussion and debate of a variety of contemporary ethical issues.
- Sponsors the Shomer award to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the field of veterinary medical ethics.
- Monthly meetings for members with guest lectures on ethical topics.



OBJECTIVES

- To encourage ethical practices and professional behavior of veterinarians in all aspects of the profession.
- To increase the understanding of the philosophical, social, moral and ethical values encountered by the veterinary profession.
- To sponsor seminars and other presentations on ethics and values at local, state, regional and national meetings of veterinarians and other interested individuals.
- To promote the teaching of ethical and value issues at colleges of veterinary medicine and to identify speakers on these subjects.
- To encourage persons from other professions and disciplines, such as biomedical research, medicine, law, political science, philosophy and theology, to engage in cross-disciplinary discussions and studies of these issues.
- To exchange information about veterinary ethical issues via bulletins, periodicals, and newsletters.
- To maintain archives of appropriate documents and materials related to these disciplines.



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