

Discovery Conference 2026

October 17-18, 2026

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**Ohio Association of
Veterinary Technicians**

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Hosted at:

**The Renaissance Columbus,
Westerville- Polaris Hotel**

409 Altair Parkway, Westerville, Ohio 43082

614-882-6800

	Discovery 2026 Sunday, October 18, 2026 Registration and Continental Breakfast		
7:00am-8:00am	Track 1	Track 2	Track 3
8:00am-9:00am	"Saddle Up! (or not) The Catastrophic Clot Chronicles" Peggy Metzger, RVT	"IDEXX Cancer Dx Testing" Jessica Williamson, DVM	WET LAB 8:30 am – 10:30 am "Modified Robert Jones Bandaging: Hands-On Skills Lab" Brian Goleman, CVT
9:00am-9:15am	Break - Please visit the Exhibit Hall		
9:15am-10:15am	"Scabs, Scars, and Success Stories" Peggy Metzger, RVT	"Nutritional Management of Atopy & Food Allergy in Dogs & Cats" Monica Lawton, BS, RVT	
10:15am-11:00am	Break - Please visit the Exhibit Hall		
11:00am-12:00pm	"Fur Real Math" Brenda Starkey, RVT	"Nutritional Management of Canine & Feline Urinary Conditions" Becky Eschmann, DVM, MPH, CPH, DACVPM	"Nerve Blocks for the Veterinary Technician: Pain and Simple" Chloe Alexander, RVT, VTS (ANES)
12:00pm-1:30pm	LUNCH and Annual Business Meeting		
1:45pm-2:45pm	"Critical Neonatal Care" Chanel White, RVT	"Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board Update" Susan Skorupski, DVM	"To Sit or Not to Sit: Anesthetic Complications and Emergencies" Chloe Alexander, RVT, VTS (ANES)
2:45pm-3:00pm	Break - Please visit the Exhibit Hall		
3:00pm-4:00pm	COLUMBUS ZOO PRESENTATION		

Prefer to register online?

Here is a link to the website to make it easy!



Website

This year in honor of our 50 year milestone, we will be holding an extra special raffle! Scan the QR code to the right to enter.



Facebook

Don't forgot to follow us on Facebook to keep up with our latest news!

Schedule

Saturday October 17, 2026 - Registration 5:00-6:00 pm

Hill's Saturday Evening Dinner 6:00-8:00 pm

"Tackling Feline Lower Urinary Disease" Diana Lewis, DVM

Sunday October 18, 2026

Registration and Continental Breakfast 7:00-8:00 am

(included with conference registration)

Morning lecture hours: We start promptly at: 8:00 am

8:00-9:00 am

9:15-10:15 am

11:00am-12:00 pm

O.A.V.T. Business Luncheon 12:00 pm-1:30 pm

(included with conference registration)

Afternoon lecture hours:

1:45-2:45 pm

3:00-4:00 pm

All sessions have 15 minute breaks between. Please visit the Exhibit hall

All lectures submitted to OVMLB for 1 hour of Continuing Education each
for 5 hours of total lecture (total of 6 hours if also attending the Hill's dinner Saturday)

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OAVT Discovery 2026

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Registration Form

Personal Info: Name: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

E-mail Address:(for confirmation of registration)_____

****Hill's Dinner CE, Sunday Breakfast, Luncheon, Refreshments and Keynote included with paid registration****

Please Check all that apply

OAVT Current Member \$ 125.00 _____

Non-OAVT Member (i.e. RVT, DVM, Hospital Staff, Guest) \$ 175.00 _____

Current Student (Technician/Veterinarian) \$ 75.00 _____

VT Program / College Currently Attending _____

Hill's Saturday Night – must pre-register to attend/space is limited..... **no cost** _____

Brian's Bandaging Lab-ADDITIONAL FEE/limited to 40 participants \$ 40.00 _____

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: If you need special accommodations, such as a wheelchair or sign language interpreter, to fully participate; please provide a written description of your needs by September 30, 2026. Can be emailed to: info@ohiorvt.org

Food Allergy/Vegetarian Meal (please indicate)..... _____

2027 OAVT Membership Dues:

****Join/renew today to save \$\$ on registration as a member****

Active Membership (new)..... \$30.00 _____

Renewal \$25.00 _____

Associate \$25.00 _____

Student \$10.00 _____

TOTAL: Add Late Fee of \$35.00 after September 30, 2026 (non-refundable) \$ _____

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Credit Cards: (Please circle one and print clearly) VISA MasterCard Discover

Credit Card Number: _____ Security Code: _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on card: _____ Address _____

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Refund Policy:

75% up to 10.16.2026; NO REFUND AFTER 10.17.2026

Program Topics: In an attempt to properly schedule room assignments, please circle the sessions you wish to attend.

Hill's Saturday Night CE

Metzger-Session 1

Metzger-Session 2

Starkey -Session 3

White -Session 4

Williamson-Session 1

Lawton -Session 2

Eschmann -Session 3

Skorupski - OVMLB

Bandage Lab \$\$

Alexander-Session 1

Alexander-Session 2

Columbus Zoo

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No Extra Charge for parking.

Mention OAVT Discovery code: Oct2026.

Reservations call: 833-427-0292

Special group rate for \$179
per night single bed room ends
Friday, September 25, 2026

