## Southwest Veterinary Symposium Technician Case Report Challenge Guidelines

- General Information
  - Unique and interesting case management and nursing care scenarios
  - No limitation to species or case type. Everyone is welcome!
  - The case the candidate wishes to submit must be reviewed by a DVM or board-certified specialist to ensure the material is of the highest quality.
- Who qualifies?
  - Candidates are required to be credentialed veterinary technicians and a member in good standing within their state
  - o Candidates are required to have little to no previous, paid lecturing experience
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Anyone who wishes to gain experience in public speaking or pursue a speaking career  $\,$
- How to submit your case outline
  - Deadline for outline submission is Friday, June 28, 2024, 11:59 pm CST. Submit outline to info@swvs.org. Please include your contact information (email address and phone number) in the submission and include Veterinary Technician Case Report Challenge Submission in the subject title.
  - A brief outline of the case must be submitted using the following outline:
    - Title
    - Introduction
    - Signalment
    - Presenting complaint
    - Initial assessment
    - Physical examination findings including vital signs
    - Diagnostics
    - Diagnosis
    - Treatment plan
    - Nursing care
    - Outcome
      - Discussion should include nursing care, specialized techniques, and specific role of how the veterinary technician contributed to the case
- A committee will review all case outlines to determine who will be selected to present their case report at SWVS. You will be notified by email when selections are made by the committee.
- SWVS case report challenge guidelines
  - The case report challenge will occur at SWVS annually
  - $\circ$   $\,$   $\,$  The presentation format should follow the case outline
  - Each presentation will be allotted a total time of 20 minutes with 15 minutes allowed for the presentation, and 2 minutes for questions from the audience. Invaluable feedback will be given to each presenter from a panel of judges (time allotment 3 minutes each presenter).
  - Presentations will be timed to allow everyone the same opportunity to present.
  - Presentations should be created using PowerPoint. Each candidate will be required to bring their own laptop for presentation. All other basic AV equipment will be provided by SWVS.
  - It is the candidate's responsibility to evaluate all AV equipment prior to the case report challenges.
- Each candidate will be evaluated based on unique qualities of their case, presentation quality, ability to present within the allotted time, and their response to the audience's questions.
- The winner of the case report challenge will be determined by a panel of judges.

## Candidates who are accepted to present at SWVS will be notified via email by July 15, 2024. (Candidates will be responsible for all travel and hotel expenses to SWVS 2024)