

Veterinarian

Veterinarians diagnose, treat, correct, change, relieve, or prevent animal disease, lameness, deformity, defect, injury, or other physical or mental conditions. They may prescribe or administer drugs, medicine, biologic, apparatus, application, anesthetic, or other therapeutic or diagnostic substance or technique, or use manual or mechanical procedures for testing for pregnancy, for correcting sterility or infertility, or provide advice or recommendations regarding veterinary surgery, obstetrics, dentistry, and all other branches or specialties of veterinary medicine. Includes the practice of acupuncture on animals.

Legislation

Statute: NH RSA 332-B
Administrative Rules: Chapter Vet 100 - 700

Licensure Requirements

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must be of good professional character
- A graduate of an accredited veterinary school or the holder of an Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) certificate or Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Equivalence (PAVE) certificate
- Passing scores on the National Board examination and the Clinical Competency Test or the North American Veterinary licensing exam
- Two letters of recommendation sent directly to the Board from practicing veterinarians or veterinary professors who have detailed knowledge of the applicant's practice in the last five years.

Examination

Written examinations required — state and national boards

Continuing Education

- 24 hours of continuing education are required biennially. New graduates within 12 months of application require 12 hours of continuing education.

Reciprocity

Permitted, but examination is still required. The Board may issue a license without examination to an applicant under conditions described in RSA 332-B:11.

Active Licenses

1,283

Regulatory Agency

Board of Veterinary Medicine

Office of Professional Licensure and Certification
7 Eagle Square
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

phone (603) 271-2152
fax (603) 271-6702
web <<https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board-veterinary-medicine>>
contact Board Administrator
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Fees

Written examination	\$175.00
Biennial renewal	\$300.00
Late fee	\$50.00

O*Net Codes

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Additional Information Sources

American Veterinary Medical Association
<www.avma.org>

National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
<www.nbvme.org>

American Association of Veterinary State Boards
<www.aavsb.org>

Related Training

Veterinary Medicine; Veterinary Biomedical and Clinical Sciences