

VetPartners Position Statement on the Registered Veterinary Nurse Credential

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VetPartners is in support of the Veterinary Nurse Initiative (VNI) and the nationwide effort to establish a single credential of Registered Veterinary Nurse (RVN). As a national nonprofit association of veterinary business specialists dedicated to serving the veterinary profession, VetPartners views the goal of the VNI in uniting the profession under a single title with consistent credentialing standards a priority for the future of the profession.

The veterinary nursing and technology profession has developed over the past several decades to serve a vital role in the veterinary health care team and it's time to elevate the important contribution that these individuals make in the eyes of the public and the veterinary profession at large.

A single unified title and a standardized credential of Registered Veterinary Nurse throughout the nation will reduce pet owners' confusion and improve the awareness and recognition of the highly valuable skills these professionals bring to the veterinary team. We also believe that it will help assure the highest quality of patient care, promote the use of veterinary services, and enhance the sustainability of the veterinary profession.

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