

Production Management Medicine Residency

This is a three-year residency program in large animal Production Management Medicine (PMM) with concurrent graduate studies. The goals of this residency program are to provide training and experience to qualify the individual for certification examination by the ABVP, ACT, ACVN, or ACVPM. Candidates who successfully complete the program will receive a Certificate of Residency Completion in Production Management Medicine.

The majority of the resident's time will be spent in the Production Management Medicine Section of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. PMM provides the following services:

- 1) Routine health maintenance services to livestock producers within a 35-mile radius of Blacksburg;
- 2) Emergency veterinary service to livestock producers within a 35-mile radius of Blacksburg;
- 3) Referral veterinary services to livestock producers in the states of Virginia and Maryland.

The faculty. Training of the resident will be supervised directly by Production Management Medicine faculty. The resident will make a decision within six months of beginning the program as to which specialty board will be pursued. The training will be supervised directly by the faculty members with qualifications in that specialty board area. During a minority of the resident's time there will be the opportunity to participate in other sections of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital including Pathology, Large Animal Medicine, Large Animal Surgery, or Nutrition.

The resident will participate in clinical services during all three years of the program. The resident will provide routine and emergency service to the clientele of PMM on a rotational basis. Clinical faculty will cooperate in the delivery of the service and will provide backup assistance.

The resident will participate in PMM rounds, resident/intern rounds, large animal journal club and various hospital rounds. Completion of a research project, participation in the delivery of continuing education, and limited didactic teaching responsibilities are included in the program.

The Virginia Tech Veterinary Teaching Hospital is a modern, well-equipped facility. The Production Medicine Center houses a computer center, a laboratory, and conference and communication areas. Well-equipped vehicles are used to deliver state-of-the art programs to clients and to diagnose, monitor and evaluate disease, health and production. Computer technology is utilized to a great extent in carrying out programs.