

Saturday 5th September | 13:30 - 14:30

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Session Title: Protocols, Patients and Practice Growth: Building an RVN Skin Clinic



Leona qualified as an RVN in November of 2018 and has since gone back to university to complete her top-up degree in veterinary nursing. Leona enjoys all aspects of nursing, in particular medical management consultations such as diabetes management, wound management and dermatology, but also surgical nursing and diagnostic imaging. Leona has a certificate in Anaesthesia and is currently studying to complete a Masters in Veterinary Physiotherapy.

Synopsis:

Chronic and recurrent skin disease — including pruritus, allergic dermatitis, and otitis externa — are among the most common presentations in small animal practice, with many conditions influenced by genetic and breed predispositions. This session will explore how to build clear, practical protocols for managing these cases within an RVN-led clinic. We will cover confident triage, recognising red flags and referral points, and delivering impactful client education and structured follow-up. Delegates will leave with a realistic action plan to implement or strengthen an RVN dermatology clinic that will help to improve long-term outcomes for their patients.

Learning Objectives:

1. Build clear, practical protocols for managing common dermatology cases within an RVN-led clinic.
2. Confidently triage and manage suitable skin cases, recognising red flags and knowing when referral is required.
3. Deliver impactful client education and structured follow-up, improving compliance and long-term patient outcomes.
4. Create a realistic action plan to implement or strengthen an RVN dermatology clinic that enhances patient care and supports practice growth.