

Why Recognize Heritage Veterinary Practices?

Recognizing long-standing veterinary practices in continuous operation for 50 years or more through the REGISTRY

- Honors the achievements of generations of dedicated veterinarians
- Encourages practices to celebrate their longevity in their communities
- Shows trends and changes in veterinary practices over the decades
- Encourages research into the history of the veterinary profession
- Educates and informs others about the rich heritage of veterinary medicine
- Preserves archival records, artifacts, memorabilia, and other items for future reference and posterity



Rutherford Animal Hospital, Dallas, Texas,
Estab. 1924



Case Veterinary Hospital, Savannah, GA, Estab. 1909



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Established to honor and recognize veterinary practices in the United States in continuous operation for 50 years or more.

http://www.cvm.missouri.edu/AVMHS/Heritage_Registry.html

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Miller-Clark Animal Hospital, New York, Estab. 1901

The American Veterinary Medical History Society is pleased to establish and sponsor the REGISTRY of Heritage Veterinary Practices to honor achievements, recognize longevity, and share information about long-standing veterinary practices in America.

The REGISTRY lists any type of veterinary practice in the United States which has been in continuous operation for 50 years or more.

The current REGISTRY listing can be found at: http://www.cvm.missouri.edu/AVMHS/Heritage_Registry.html.



Additional heritage practices are welcome at any time.



Pomeroy's Animal Hospital, St. Paul, MN, Estab. 1883

What Are Heritage Veterinary Practices

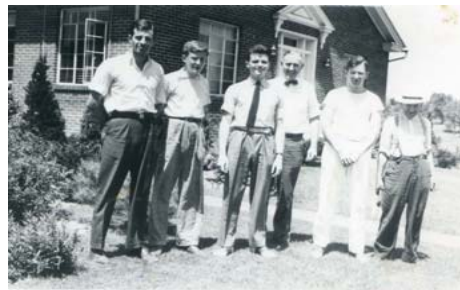
From their beginnings in America, veterinarians have established veterinary practices through which to provide health care for animals—from the lone “horse doctor” making house calls in a buggy to today’s high-tech, multi-center partnerships.

These practices may have undergone name changes, or split into several hospitals. They may have remained in the same location, renovated buildings, or moved to different addresses. Other practices may have had several owners or been passed down to generations of family members, but all have provided continuous veterinary care for horses, small animals, or other species, and surely enriched the communities they have served through the decades.

Joining the REGISTRY

Inclusion in the REGISTRY involves submitting an application. This includes:

- 1-page application form
- Brief supporting documentation, such as chronological time line, narrative, published article, Web site printout, or equivalent description of continuous operation.



VCA Detwiler Animal Hospital, Reading, PA, Estab. 1921

Forms and worksheets can be found at http://www.cvm.missouri.edu/AVMHS/Heritage_Application.html or requested by mail from the AVMHS address below.

Owners who know their practices qualify can assemble appropriate background information and submit a REGISTRY application at any time.

Other veterinarians who suspect or wonder if their practices may be old enough will want to do some preliminary historical investigation. This research may involve locating historical records, interviewing previous or retired owners, and consulting other sources in order to piece together a framework and sequential time line before submitting an application.

Applicants are responsible for the content and accuracy of their information.



The public listing will include current practice name, geographic location and year established. In addition, AVMHS will maintain an archival file of applications and background information for confidential consultation and referral purposes.

There is no cost or fee for registering a heritage veterinary practice.

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