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### **NAVTA and VCA Announce 2017 Membership**

ALBERT LEA, MN — The National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA) has announced that VCA will be providing all Veterinary Technicians and Veterinary Assistants employed in its hospitals, a 2017 NAVTA Membership as part of their benefits package.

Julie Legred, CVT, NAVTA's Executive Director said, "This is exciting for Veterinary Technicians and Assistants, because it provides them with so many different resources, continuing education opportunities, an opportunity to network with their colleagues, be on top of current issues affecting their profession and also have a "voice" in what happens within their profession."

Doug Drew, VCA's Vice President of U.S. Hospital Operations stated, "We are very excited to include this new benefit for our Veterinary Technicians and Veterinary Assistants. Every team member has an important role in providing the best care possible for our patients. We consider each of our team members as professionals and it is important for them to be a part of professional organizations like NAVTA. We wanted to make this announcement following National Veterinary Technician Week as a "Thank you" to all of our dedicated Veterinary Technicians and Veterinary Assistants and to let them know how much we value their role in delivering great patient care and client education in all VCA hospitals."

VCA & NAVTA will continue working throughout 2017 to bring this new benefit to all VCA Veterinary Technicians and Veterinary Assistants seamlessly.

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VCA operates more than 750 small animal veterinary hospitals in the U.S. and Canada. The hospitals are staffed by more than 3,500 fully qualified, dedicated and compassionate veterinarians to give pets the very best in medical care, of which over 400 are board-certified specialists who are experts in areas such as Oncology, Cardiology, Emergency & Critical Care, and Surgery for animals. VCA Animal Hospitals provide a full range of general practice services to keep pets well and specialized treatments when pets are ill. For more information, please visit [www.VCAhospitals.com](http://www.VCAhospitals.com) or follow on Twitter @vcapethealth.

The National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA) is a nonprofit organization that represents and promotes the profession of Veterinary Technology. NAVTA provides direction, education, support and coordination for its members. Incorporated in 1981, NAVTA is the national organization devoted exclusively to developing and enhancing the profession of veterinary technology. For more information about NAVTA, visit their website at [www.navta.net](http://www.navta.net).

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