


## ABOUT ME

Nine years of small animal experience, with an approach to veterinary medicine which emphasizes collaboration, meticulous medical records and client comprehension.

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## EDUCATION

 *University of Calgary  
Veterinary Medicine  
DVM - 2015*

 *University of Calgary  
B.Sc. Exercise & Health  
Physiology (Kin) – 2008*

# MELISSA WEIR, DVM

Locum - Small Animal Veterinarian

General practitioner experienced in routine appointments and surgeries for cats and dogs. Fear free certified, enjoys advanced dental surgery cases, feline medicine, and preventive medicine. Available in Calgary & surrounding area.

## Professional Experience

### Locum Veterinarian – Toronto, ON

#### Small Animal General Practice & Emergency (January 2022-July 2024)

- Primarily continued to work in general practice at multiple locations, consisting of wellness prevention, sick pet care, and surgery (dental, spay, neuter, mass removal, etc).
- Flexibility to work with different teams, focusing on strong communication, mentorship, collaboration and client satisfaction.
- Occasional Emergency work at a busy downtown hospital, performing triage of incoming patients, hospitalizing, referring to specialties as needed.
- Competent in Avimark, Woofware, and Ezyvet.

### Wellesley Animal Hospital – Toronto, ON

#### Associate Veterinarian (September 2020-January 2022)

- Continued teamwork and mentorship of other veterinarians (newer graduates, plus in dental extractions), in a busy 4+ veterinary practice downtown Toronto.
- Proficient in Avimark and advanced dental surgeries (extractions).

### Banfield Pet Hospital – Issaquah, WA

#### Associate Veterinarian (September 2019-July 2020)

- Shortened timeline of the clinical staff learning how to obtain and interpret dental radiographs and extraction techniques, after the clinic installed their first dental radiograph machine, as a result of my hands-on guidance.
- Increased personal productivity by 10%, while adapting to unique schedule system alternating appointment and surgery shifts, with drop off and same day access pets.

### VCA Crown Hill Animal Hospital – Seattle, WA

#### Associate Veterinarian (November 2016-September 2019)

- Full time small animal veterinarian at an AAHA accredited practice, building towards a Fear Free environment.
- Reduced anesthesia time and improved technique causing less tissue trauma in surgery & dental extractions.
- More timely completion of comprehensive medical records through personalized templates, surgical reports, client handouts,

## Professional Affiliations

- Fear Free Trained
- VIN member
- AAFP member
- ABVMA member

## Continuing Education

- AAFP Conference
- VetGirl
- Pain & Analgesia
- ISFM Feline Congress
- International Veterinary Seminars
- Veterinary Dental Forum
- New York Vet
- CanWest Veterinary Conference

## Personal Interests



Reading



Dancing



Hiking



Travel

photographic documentation and integration with email, using WoofWare software.

## Horizon Veterinary Group – Calgary, AB

### **Associate Veterinarian (June 2015-September 2016)**

- Full time small animal veterinarian focusing on wellness and preventive care, diagnosing and managing medical cases, and basic surgical procedures such as spay, neuter, mass removal, or dentistry.
- Mastered complete medical records, inputting and interpreting diagnostic results, learning surgical templates and client handouts tailored to my communication style, in DVMAX and Cornerstone veterinary software systems.

## Other Experience

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### UCVM – Department of Veterinary Clinical & Diagnostic Services

#### **Summer Student (May-August 2013)**

- Developed project management skills completing four overlapping professor-led projects during spring/summer semesters.
- Researched and compiled the 2013 Intern Manual for UCVM and its affiliated teaching hospitals; generated a radiology database of digital images and pertinent medical records for teaching, acquired high quality cytology pictures for pedagogical posters by reviewing microscopy samples; and created then edited teaching videos for UCVM's Clinical Skills course, such as animal handling, surgical skills, injection skills and radiographic techniques.

### Heartland Veterinary Clinic

#### **Client Care Specialist (September 2009 – August 2011)**

- Gained understanding and appreciation for the different roles in a veterinary clinic working as a client care specialist and veterinary technician assistant in a small animal clinic.

### Alberta Institute for Wildlife Conservation

#### **Center Volunteer (September 2009 – July 2011)**

## Club Involvement

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### SVECCS

#### **President (September 2013-April 2014)**

### Calgary Association for Veterinary Students

#### **Secretary (September 2012 – April 2013)**

### Honor Committee Representative

#### **First Year Representative (September 2011-April 2012)**