

# National Veterinary Associates Appoints Medical Leadership for NVA General Practice and Ethos Veterinary Health Businesses

Dr. Sandra Faeh to serve as Chief Veterinary Officer of NVA's General Practice business; Dr. Stacy Burdick named Chief Medical Officer of Ethos Veterinary Health

Newly created senior leadership roles position NVA General Practice and Ethos Veterinary Health for next chapter of industry leadership as distinct veterinary businesses

El Segundo, Calif., June 13, 2023 – National Veterinary Associates ("NVA"), a leading global pet care organization and community, announced the appointment of two highly accomplished veterinary practitioners to newly created senior leadership roles. Sandra Faeh, DVM, will serve as the first Chief Veterinary Officer of NVA's General Practice ("NVA GP") business, while Dr. Stacy Burdick, DVM, MBA, DACVIM (SAIM), has been appointed as Chief Medical Officer of Ethos Veterinary Health ("Ethos").

These newly created roles will provide additional medical perspectives and expertise to support the recently announced formation of two distinct veterinary businesses: NVA General Practice and Ethos Veterinary Health. Drs. Faeh and Burdick, together bring more than 40 years of experience serving as practicing clinicians and leaders within the veterinary profession.

"Ensuring strong veterinary leadership and increased representation at the highest levels of our organization is an important step in helping NVA General Practice and Ethos Veterinary Health achieve their full potential," said Larry Allgaier, CEO of NVA and Ethos. "I am thrilled to have Dr. Faeh and Dr. Burdick's leadership as we begin this next chapter. NVA General Practice and Ethos Veterinary Health's unique combination of medical leadership and a shared commitment to elevating the veterinary profession creates tremendous opportunities to ensure broad access to high-quality care and lead the advancements of cutting-edge medicine to extend and improve the lives of pets."

"I am thrilled and humbled to take on the role of Chief Medical Officer of Ethos Veterinary Health, a pioneering group of hospitals and teams whom I deeply admire," added Dr. Burdick, Chief Medical Officer of Ethos Veterinary Health. "We have a tremendous opportunity to build on our strong foundation as one of the industry's only dedicated specialty and emergency hospital platforms committed to medical excellence, science, innovation, and bettering the profession we love. In this new role, I am focused on empowering our teams and advancing clinical breakthroughs that will define the future of veterinary care."

"It's an honor to serve as the first-ever Chief Veterinary Officer of NVA General Practice, and I'm looking forward to supporting our veterinary teams as we continue to deliver high-quality care across our more than 1,000 general practice veterinary hospitals," added Dr. Faeh. "I am excited to work with the incredibly talented teams across the community as we focus on creating additional career development and growth opportunities for our veterinary caregivers."

#### About Dr. Sandra Faeh

Dr. Faeh earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She became Managing Veterinarian and part-owner at Elmhurst Animal Care Center, along with three small animal hospitals in the Chicago suburbs. She also served as President of the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association, President of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association, and Vice President of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). She is currently a candidate for AVMA President-elect.

Dr. Faeh is a member of NVA's Medical Advisory Board (MAB) and Lead Mentor and co-creator of NVA's General Practice DVM Mentorship Program. As Chief Veterinary Officer, Dr. Faeh will work to expand access to high-quality care for all pet owners for NVA's more than 1,000 general practice veterinary hospitals.

#### About Dr. Stacy Burdick

Dr. Burdick earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She then went on to complete a rotating internship and residency in Internal Medicine and fellowship in Interventional Radiology and Endoscopy at the Animal Medical Center (AMC) in New York. She joined the team at Red Bank Veterinary Hospitals (RBVH) in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, to open one of the few Interventional Radiology and Endoscopy services in the country at that time. Dr. Burdick expanded her role at RBVH to become Chief of Staff and pursued her MBA at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill's Kenan-Flagler Business School, officially completing the program in 2022.

Since 2016, Dr. Burdick has served as Clinical Advisor to Compassion-First Pet Hospitals. As Chief Medical Officer of Ethos, she will lead Ethos' specialty and emergency teams in the advancement of cutting-edge medicine across its 145 world-class hospitals.

### About National Veterinary Associates and Ethos Veterinary Health

National Veterinary Associates is a leading global pet care organization of approximately 1,400 premier locations consisting primarily of general practice veterinary hospitals in addition to equine hospitals and pet resorts, and Ethos Veterinary Health, which consists of 145 world-class specialty and emergency hospitals. NVA and Ethos' innovative, compassionate approach underpins a shared commitment to delivering exceptional veterinary care to pets and the people who love them. For more information, visit www.nva.com.

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