

## FelineVMA 2025 eConference Navigation Guide

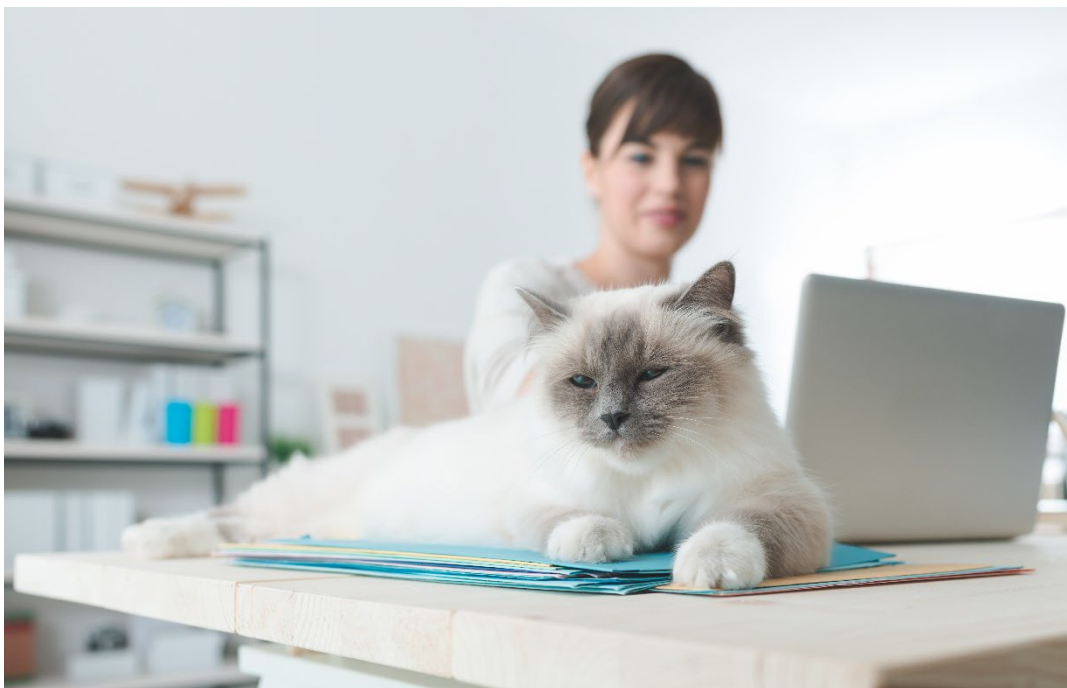
Greetings, and welcome to the FelineVMA's 2025 Spring into Feline Medicine eConference! Our interactive conference platform is a dynamic tool to help you easily navigate all the offerings available this year. This Guide is intended to provide you with a summary of how to use the website platform and get the most out of the conference experience. You can search and browse presentations; create your schedule; view events by date, speaker, program/category; and more!

As a registered attendee, you can “favorite” any item on the agenda to add it to “My Schedule” to help you plan your conference experience in advance. Note: the website is meant to be utilized on your computer, tablet, or iPad.

### How do I use the FelineVMA eConference Platform?

Our eConference was designed for easy access to the live stream of presentations/sessions, speaker and attendee listings, and more all from our main page. This Guide will walk you through the following areas:

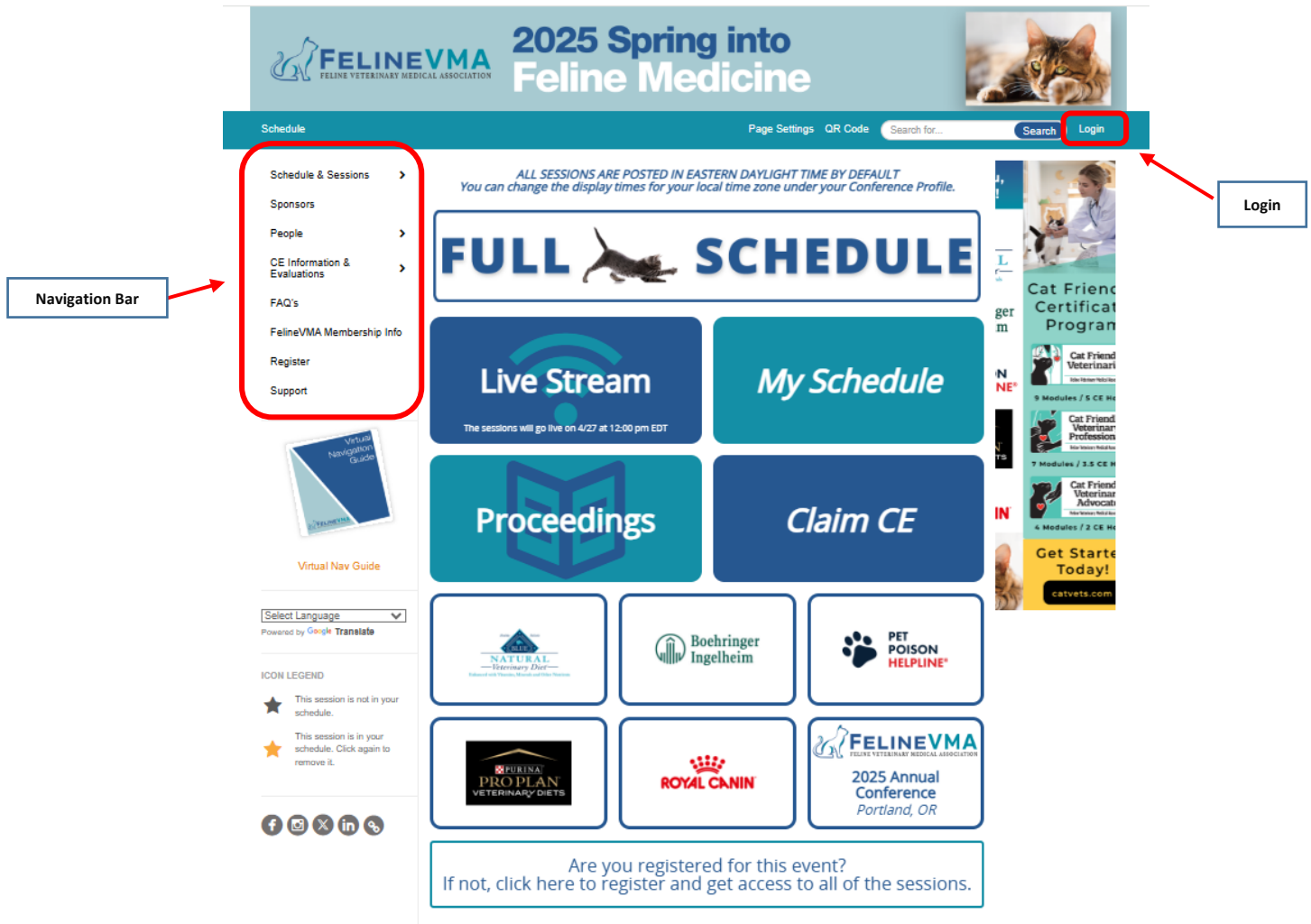
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## 1. Navigating the Conference Homepage

The eConference homepage offers a variety of ways to navigate the rich content.

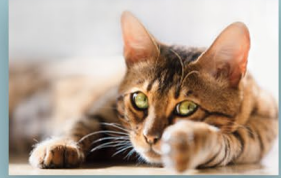


The screenshot shows the conference homepage with several key features highlighted by red boxes and arrows:

- Navigation Bar:** A vertical sidebar on the left containing links: Schedule & Sessions, Sponsors, People, CE Information & Evaluations, FAQ's, FelineVMA Membership Info, Register, and Support.
- Search and Login:** A search bar and a 'Login' button are located in the top right header area.
- Virtual Nav Guide:** A small icon labeled 'Virtual Nav Guide' is positioned below the navigation bar.
- Language Selection:** A 'Select Language' dropdown menu is located below the Virtual Nav Guide.
- Icon Legend:** A section explaining session status icons: a grey star for 'This session is not in your schedule' and a yellow star for 'This session is in your schedule. Click again to remove it.'
- Social Media:** A row of social media icons (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube) is located at the bottom left.
- Main Content Area:** The central part of the page features a 'FULL SCHEDULE' banner, followed by four large tiles: 'Live Stream', 'My Schedule', 'Proceedings', and 'Claim CE'. Below these are sponsor logos including Natural Veterinary Diets, Boehringer Ingelheim, Pet Poison Helpline, Purina Pro Plan, and Royal Canin.
- Registration Prompt:** A box at the bottom asks 'Are you registered for this event? If not, click here to register and get access to all of the sessions.'

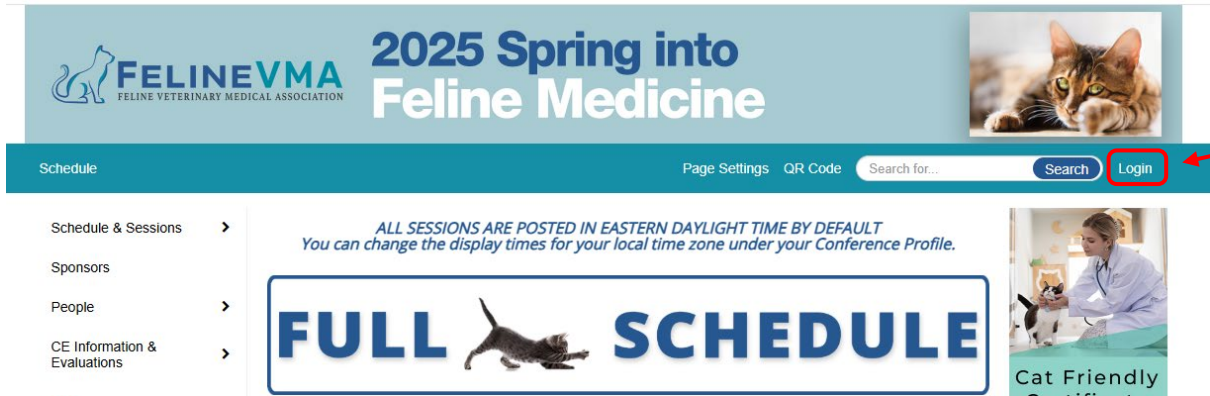
- **Navigation Bar:** Access any feature or portion of the conference using this vertical navigation bar.
- **Homepage Tiles:**
  - **Live Stream:** This takes you directly the live streamed session that is taking place.
  - **My Schedule:** View the sessions you “favorited” and make your own schedule.
  - **Proceedings:** A quick link to the Proceedings Notes.
  - **Claim CE:** Click this button to take you directly to the area of the website where you can Claim CE for your sessions, fill out session evaluations and the full conference evaluation, and view and download your CE Certificate. For more information on how to Claim CE, view the CE Guide.
  - **Sponsor Buttons:** Check out our generous sponsors and partners, and visit their websites for more information.
- **Login:** Attendees can log in here with the credentials that were emailed to you.

**TIP:** Log in early to ensure your registration and conference features are functioning. It is also a good time to explore the conference homepage, to get a feel for the events and programs.



## 2. Logging In

eConference attendees begin their experience by logging in on the upper right corner of the conference homepage:



Enter the email address and Access Key located in your login information email sent on April 24 (or later if you registered after April 24). If you can't find the email, you can request a new email by using the "Forgot Access Key?" function.

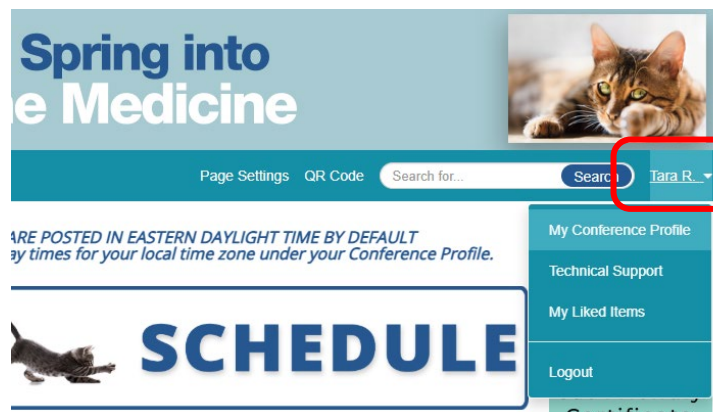
### Login

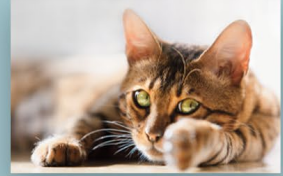
Please type in your Email Address and Access Key.

[Forgot Access Key?](#)

### Your Profile:

After you have logged in, your name will show in the upper right corner (first name, last initial). Click on your name and choose "My Conference Profile." This will allow you to edit your profile and opt-in for sharing your information so everyone can see you and you can send and receive messages.





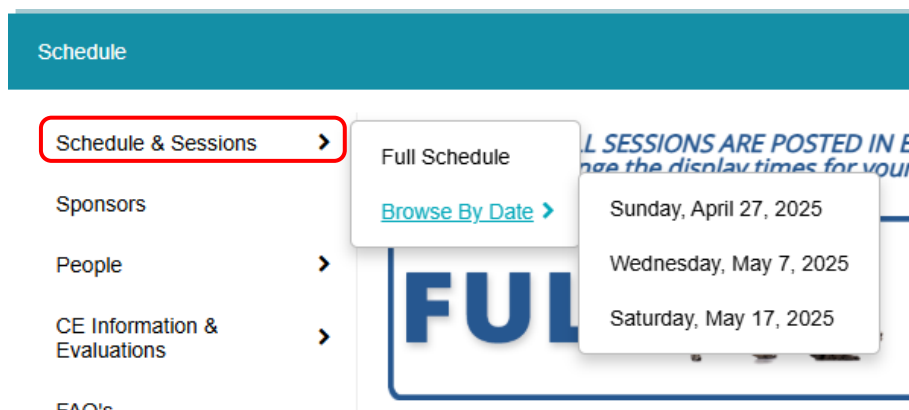
### 3. Watching CE Sessions

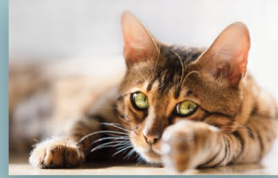
All sessions will take place live on their scheduled dates and times, and then be available on-demand three business days following the live presentation. There are two ways to access the live sessions.

- a. **Option 1:** Click on the “Live Stream” tile on the homepage. This will open the presentation pop-up of the session being presented at that time. Click on the “Live Stream” button on that pop-up (see screenshot at the top of the next page). Please note the Live Stream button won’t be active until 30 minutes before the start of the first session.




- b. **Option 2:** Click on “Schedule & Sessions” in the left-hand navigation bar, the “Full Schedule” tile, or any of the individual day tiles to access the schedule. Under the “Schedule & Sessions” area, you may browse the full schedule or filter by date, topic/program, speaker, or any of the related keywords.





Once on the schedule page, choose which session you wish to watch and click on the presentation.


Sunday, April 27, 2025		
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM East Coast USA Time	NSAID Guidelines: What Do They Tell Us About Using These Drugs Safely in Practice?  <a href="#">Samantha Taylor, BVetMed(Hons) CertSAM DipECVIM-CA MANZCVS FRCVS</a> – International Cat Care	★
1:15 PM – 2:15 PM East Coast USA Time	Paraneoplastic Syndrome: Are Cats Any Different?  <a href="#">Valerie J. Poirier, DMV, MSc</a> – University of Guelph	★
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM East Coast USA Time	Pleural Space Disease in Cats: Pyothorax, Pneumothorax, & Beyond  <a href="#">Alexa Bersenas, DVM MSc DACVECC</a> – Ontario Veterinary College University of Guelph	★
3:45 PM – 5:00 PM East Coast USA Time	Feline Leukemia Virus: A New Look at a Common Disease  <a href="#">Susan Little, DVM, DABVP (Feline)</a> – Bytown Cat Hospital	★
Sponsored By  <b>Boehringer Ingelheim</b>		

This will open up a pop-up window where you can view the session details and all related materials, as well as enter the Live Stream by clicking the “Watch Session” button. *\*Please note this button will be unlocked 30 minutes before the start of the session. The image below shows it locked.*

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### NSAID Guidelines: What Do They Tell Us About Using These Drugs Safely in Practice?

Sunday, April 27, 2025
 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM East Coast USA Time



**Samantha Taylor, BVetMed(Hons)**  
**CertSAM DipECVIM-CA MANZCVS FRCVS**  
 Internal Medicine Specialists  
 International Cat Care  
 Salisbury, United Kingdom

Attendees will learn the mechanism of action of non-steroidal anti-inflammatories, and cat-specific considerations. This session will discuss how to identify signs of chronic pain in cats, for example, due to degenerative joint disease, but also discuss other sources of pain that could benefit from NSAID treatment, such as dental disease, and cancer-related pain. Adverse effects of NSAIDs will be discussed and how to minimize them, including optimizing communication with caregivers around water intake and monitoring. Use of NSAIDs in cats with comorbidities will be discussed including chronic kidney disease with an overview of the evidence in this area. Case examples will illustrate key points, tips, tricks, and pitfalls!

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Claim CE
 Watch Session

Once the sessions become available on-demand, you will be able to access them the same way as you did in Option 2 above. Once you enter the room, you can watch the presentation. There are multiple features inside the room including entering full-screen mode, changing your preferences, and bookmarking a slide.





## 4. Speaker Q&A

Our conference platform offers attendees the opportunity to interact with and ask questions of our speakers. Attendees can ask specific questions and view questions asked by other attendees.

### How can I ask a question?

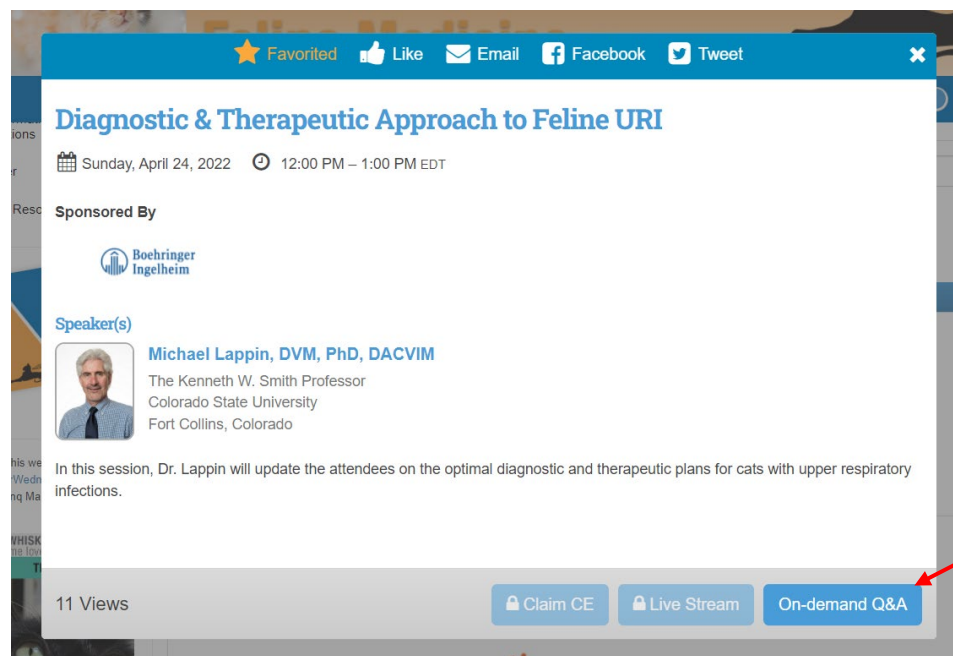
#### Live Stream

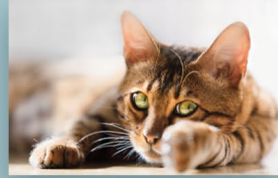
In the live stream, you will be able to ask speakers questions. Simply type your question into the right-side bar and it will be served up to the moderator. Please only include questions for the speaker and not technical issues or other inquiries. The moderator will try to get to as many questions as possible.



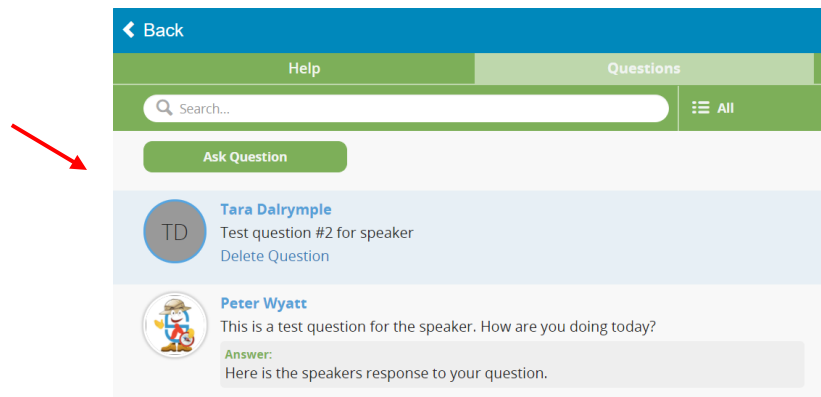
#### On-demand

To ask a question after the session has been added for on-demand viewing, navigate to the specific presentation and select the “On-demand Q&A” button option at the bottom of the presentation details. This button appears after the session goes on-demand.





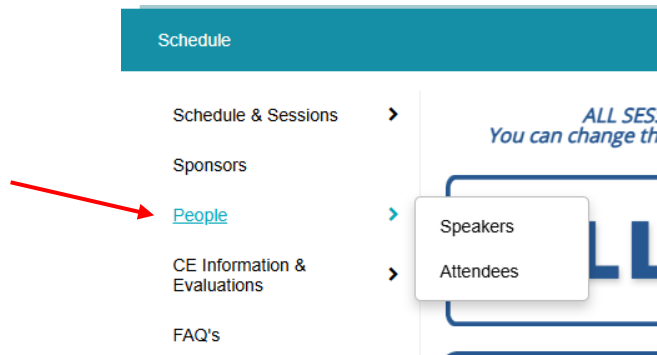
From this screen, you may view a list of previously asked questions, as well as a field to ask a new question. To ask a new question, click the “Ask Question” button.



When finished, simply click “Submit” to add your question for the presenter. Speakers will try to monitor questions and you will receive an email when the speaker has responded to your question. Please know that there may be a delay in response.

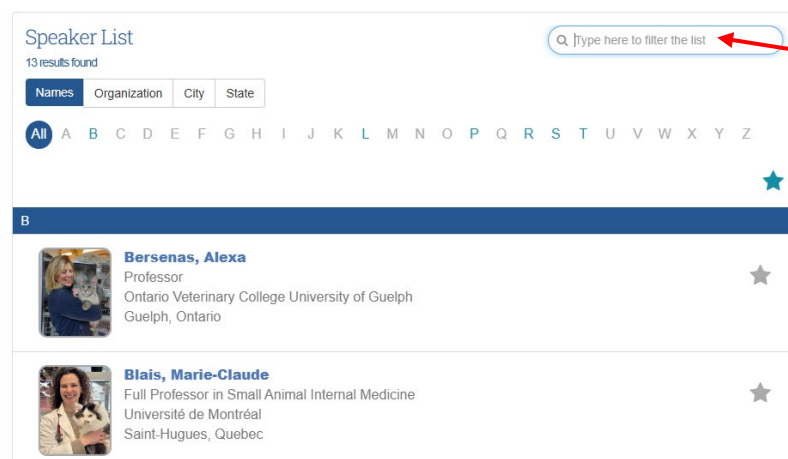
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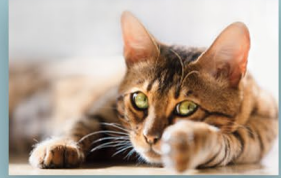
Attendees can learn more about our speakers, as well as network with other attendees through the “People” option in the left navigation bar.



### Speakers


Speakers are listed in alphabetical order by last name. You may also search for a specific person using the search filter.





Presenter profiles offer a biography and a full listing of all content and presentations. If a speaker has opted to enable being contacted, you may email them directly using the email button at the bottom right of their profile.

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### Alexa Bersenas, DVM MSc DACVECC

Professor  
Ontario Veterinary College University of Guelph  
Guelph, Ontario, Canada

Dr. Bersenas is a Professor at the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC), University of Guelph – her alma mater. She is the Chief of the Emergency & Critical Care Service at the OVC since 2008. She completed an internship at the Atlantic Veterinary College University of PEI and practiced in Toronto before returning to academia where she completed a residency in Emergency & Critical Care. She has actively trained DVM and graduate students for nearly 20 years. She enjoys mentoring all levels of trainees and participating in continuing education nationally and internationally. Dr. Bersenas' clinical interests include fluid delivery and respiratory medicine specifically supporting small animal patients in respiratory distress. She has a fondness for feline medicine and promoting patient-centered care. Her pets include a quirky orange tabby cat and a young English Cocker Spaniel.

Disclosure information not submitted.

**Presentation(s):**  
**Pleural Space Disease in Cats: Pyothorax, Pneumothorax, & Beyond**  
 Sunday, April 27, 2025  
 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM East Coast USA Time

Email Alexa

## Attendees

The list of attendees is available in alphabetical order. You can also choose to sort the attendees by Name, Organization, City, or State.


Attendees

2 results found


Names Organization City State

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**Pane, Jeff**  
 FelineVMA



**Roling, Tara**  
 Conference Director  
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To start a chat with an attendee, click on their name, and in their profile at the top you will see “Message Board.” Click that button to start a chat with another attendee.

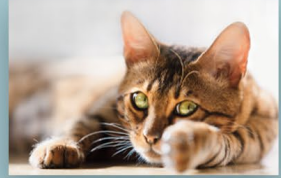
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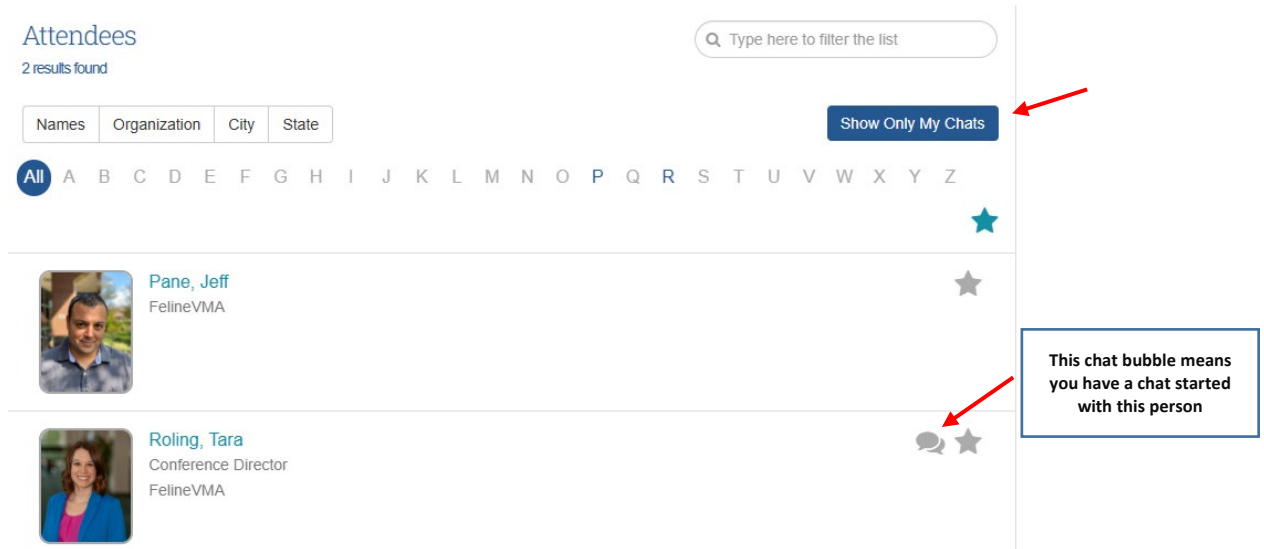
### Tara Roling, CMP

Conference Director  
FelineVMA  
BRIDGEWATER, NJ





After you have sent a chat you can see responses by going back to the Attendee List and clicking on the button on the top right that says “Show Only My Chats.”



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Search: Type here to filter the list

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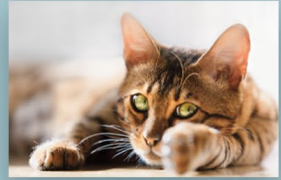
This chat bubble means you have a chat started with this person

To see their response, you must click on the attendee’s name and then click on the Chat button at the top of the window.

## 6. Other Features

Some other features include:

- **CE Information & Evaluations:** located on the left Navigation Bar – here you will find more information about how to claim your CE, save and download your CE Certificate, and submit evaluations of presentations and speakers. There is a [CE Guide](#) that provides more detailed information on how to access and complete the quizzes as well as where to get your CE Certificate.
- **Helpful Resources:** located on the left Navigation Bar – here you will find:
  - Navigation Guide – where you can access this document for future reference.
  - FAQs – have a question? You might find the answer here.
  - FelineVMA Membership Information – not a member? Learn more about what you will get from an FelineVMA Membership!
  - Support – Need help with something? Find out who would best be able to help you. This information is also listed below.
- Google Translate is available for attendees who prefer to view the website in another language – use the dropdown on the left sidebar to change the language on the pages.



## Have Questions?

Our team of dedicated staff is available to answer any of your questions or requests. We also have technical support. If you are having difficulty or have any questions, please contact us at:

## Technology Issues

If you are experiencing technical issues, please review the [Tech Tips for an Optimal Virtual Meeting Experience](#).

### *General Technical Support*

Available: Monday – Friday from 9:00 am - 9:00 pm EDT

Phone: (410) 638-9239 or toll-free (877) 426-6323

Available: Sunday, April 27: 11:15 am - 3:15 pm EDT

Phone: (443) 640-6880

Or, click “Technical Support” in the footer of the website to submit a Support Ticket.

## Other Inquires for Staff

Phone: (800) 874-0498

Email: [conference@catvets.com](mailto:conference@catvets.com)

Available:

- Monday – Friday from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm EDT
- Sunday, April 27 from 11:15 am - 5:00 pm EDT
- Wednesday, May 7 from 8:30 am - 7:00 pm EDT
- Saturday, May 17 from 11:30 am - 5:00 pm EDT