# A Sustainable Approach to Clinical **Veterinary Practice**



## At a glance...

#### Assessed Customised Provision

**Duration Notes:** Self-paced over 4-6 months

**Delivery Method:** Online

None - The course is aimed at the entire veterinary profession Prerequisites:

(vets/nurses/practice managers, support staff) - whilst

applicable to all species the course is small animal focussed.

### Introduction

A Sustainable Approach to Clinical Veterinary Practice will empower veterinary professionals to drive the changes needed at a practice level, and to have the conversations needed more widely – for the benefit of the animals under our care, our communities, wildlife and the wider environment.

#### Overview in brief

This course will empower veterinary professionals to drive the changes needed at a practice level to meet the needs of a changing profession, offering a step-by-step guide to action sustainability in veterinary practice and embed these principles into our daily veterinary work.

#### The finer details

The course offers a step-by-step actionable guide to veterinary practice sustainability and our opportunities for embedding these principles into our daily veterinary work.

- 1. Introduction to Ecological Challenges and carbon Literacy
- 2. What is meant by the term Sustainability within Veterinary Practices
- 3. Carbon Footprinting
- 4. Preventative healthcare models and the carbon pawprint of pet ownership
- 5. Resource Use and Procurement
- 6. Efficient buildings and sustainable travel
- 7. Responsible medicines use
- 8. Sustainability in the Operating Theatre
- 9. Waste Management Systems



#### 10. Understanding and Creating Behaviour Change



#### Who should attend?

The course is aimed at all veterinary professionals and members of the veterinary team wanting a higher level understanding. The course has no enrolment criteria or requirements, but learners should ideally have a technical or scientific background, and be able to dedicate 1-3 hours of private study to each module over the course of 4-6 months.

#### What will be covered?

- 1. Gain an understanding of the range of factors affecting sustainability both in clinical veterinary practice and the wider veterinary profession
- 2. Identify opportunities for change within your clinical work place
- 3. Learn the skills required to implement change successfully in practice
- 4. Enable and empower individuals to drive sustainability within their practice

#### Other areas of interest

<u>Livestock and Climate Change - A Veterinary Perspective</u>

A Veterinary Approach to Sustainable Food and Farming

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