

# VetSurg

## VetSurg View Newsletter



### Greetings to our veterinary practice friends from Team VetSurg!

We wish you and your practice all the very best for the holiday season and the upcoming new year, 2023.

VetSurg would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to our veterinary referral community for your support in 2022. We hope that your year has passed in good fashion and your practices are working through the economic, social, and community challenges that arose this year. These challenges have not been insignificant and we, like you, have been tested over the past twelve months.

#### Important topics featured in this edition:

- Decreased Consultation Fees
- Surgeon Access Mobile Number
- Changes to The VetSurg Team
- New Hospital Update
- AAHA Accredited Referral
- Surgical Services with Horizon Veterinary Specialists



As we all battle the challenges of variable demand, increased costs, and rising inflation, VetSurg will continue to be available to our referral community for case referrals, consultations and continuing education. We truly appreciate your referrals and look

forward to our continued relationships in 2023!

In an effort to help our pet community we will be reducing our surgical consultation fee from \$180 to \$150 in the new year. We will also offer to apply the consult fee towards the final surgical invoice if our clients elect to proceed with surgery at VetSurg. We appreciate our client's financial commitment to their pets and are trying to do our part to keep costs reasonable. We hope this helps.

We have recently refined our communication avenues to provide more immediate access to our surgeons for our referring veterinarians. Our after-hours practice mobile phone is monitored 24/7 and is in the on-call surgeon's hands after 6pm Monday - Thursday and on weekends. Please feel free to text message this phone with any immediate queries or to request a call back and our reception staff or surgeons will respond ASAP. Please be aware this is a primary text message device.

*Surgeon Access Mobile: (805) 340-5702*



Dr. Joe Sapora, Dr. Ian Holsworth and Dr. Rebecca Webb

## Practice Update

The ongoing financial challenges facing our community and its effect on provision of veterinary surgical care have forced some changes to our personnel over the past month. We have consolidated our Team and would like our referral community to be made aware that Dr. Courtney Campbell DVM, DACVS-SA is no longer with the practice.

We would like to extend our gratitude to Dr. Campbell for his five-year tenure at VetSurg and thank him for his years of hard work and dedication to the pets and clients of our community. Dr. Campbell achieved his ACVS board status with VetSurg's encouragement and support and we celebrated this significant accomplishment with him. As he moves on from VetSurg, we wish him all the best in his future professional and personal endeavors.

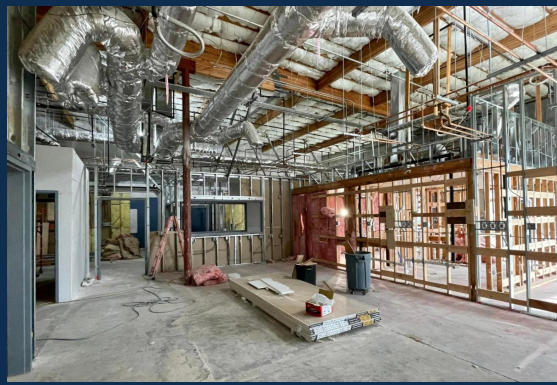
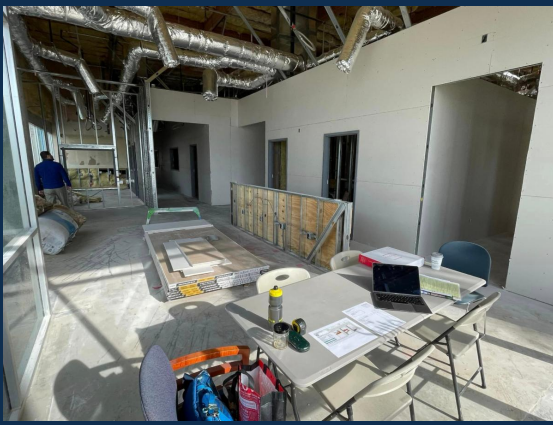
VetSurg now continues as a three ACVS boarded-surgeon practice serving the Tri - County and surrounding areas. Dr. Ian Holsworth, our founder and Surgical Director, is returning to a more significant clinical role within the practice in 2023 as the time constraints and demands of building our new hospital settle, and the project matures. Dr. Holsworth visited and taught at surgical conferences in Italy, Germany and Peru in 2022 and continued his national teaching efforts throughout the year. Dr. Joe Sapora achieved his ACVS boards in March this year and is fully committed to providing surgical consultation and surgeries for our referral community. Dr. Rebecca Webb has continued her impressive surgical evolution and over the course of the year has combined both her dedicated local clinical efforts with an additional role as a surgical instructor nationally. We are truly lucky to have such a strong group of ACVS surgeons and all are available for client consultations, primary veterinarian case discussions, radiograph and advanced imaging reviews, and surgical procedures.

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## New Hospital Update

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Our new surgical hospital on Market Street in Ventura is continuing to progress, and the building process is in full swing. Our surgical center includes four operating theaters, state-of-the-art surgical lighting, anesthesia booms, surgical imaging (including on-site multi-slice high resolution CT, intraoperative fluoroscopy, and digital imaging), a dedicated minimally-invasive integrated arthroscopic, laparoscopic, thoracoscopic operating room with the ability to film, audio record and transmit live, and record advanced surgical procedures for distant surgeon education. The facility will include a meeting atrium for gatherings and educational events and we intend to have visiting specialists in dermatology, ophthalmology and cardiology once we are operational. We will continue to keep the veterinary and general community updated on our build process and are updating both our Meta/Facebook and Instagram pages with progress notes and images.

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## We are now an AAHA Referral Accredited Hospital



We are proud to announce we have completed our accreditation with the American Animal Hospital Association and are an accredited AAHA Referral Veterinary Facility. This process was successfully launched, guided, and completed by our patient care manager, Cambria. We look forward to working closer with AAHA, utilizing the many resources they have to offer, and maintaining our certification by undergoing their rigorous review process every two years.



### Horizon Veterinary Specialists

We continue to work with the emergency and specialty veterinarians at Horizon Veterinary Specialists to provide after hours emergency surgical services in addition to case consultations on Tuesdays. It has been a very busy few years for Horizon, as emergency veterinary

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care has felt the strain of the pandemic and the post-pandemic increase in pet ownership. VetSurg would like to thank them for all they do for our community, and we look forward to continuing to provide surgical services.

## Our Mission

*To provide safe, effective, and thoughtful veterinary surgical services to our community, while maintaining a compassionate Team approach*



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