# Shelter Medicine Residency Requirements

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|  | Send letter introducing the residency candidate along with a copy of the candidate's current *curriculum vitae* to the Residency Committee Chair prior to the start of the residency program (Advisor responsibility) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Receive and review Shelter Medicine residency requirements, activity logs and progress checklist with Resident Advisor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Receive reading list |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ***Intensive Clinical Training in the Specialty of Shelter Medicine*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | Minimum 84 Weeks of Clinical Training in Shelter Medicine\*  [Indicate no. of weeks and level of supervision: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)]  \*items 2-15 below are required experiences that must be completed within these 84 weeks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Visit at least 50 animal shelters in at least 3 regions of the following 5 regions: western United States; mid western United States; northeastern United States; southern United States, international (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Participate in shelter practice for at least 20 training weeks (maintain activity and case logs of all clinical rotations including shelter practice) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Participate in at least 3 comprehensive shelter consultations with primary responsibility for at least 1 section of each and overall responsibility for at least 1 comprehensive consultation (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | Participate in at least 9 targeted shelter consultations including all major areas of consultation as defined in section V (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | Design at least 5 shelter protocols, including at least 1 infectious disease protocol; implement at least 1 of these protocols at a shelter |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | Respond to at least 60 telephone/email consultation requests (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | Advise on at least 9 disease outbreaks, including at least 3 site visits and at least 1 outbreak of at least 3 of the following: dermatophytosis, canine distemper virus, canine parvovirus, feline parvovirus, and one “unknown” cause outbreak (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | Visit at least 5 different HQHVSN programs of at least 3 of the following different types: stationary, mobile, MASH, non-surgical or other (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Participate in HQHVSN practice under direct supervision for at least 4 weeks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Participate in the investigation of at least 2 single animal cases involving alleged criminal abuse or neglect including live animal examination for documentation (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Participate in the investigation of at least 1 multi-animal case involving alleged criminal abuse or neglect (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Perform at least 1 forensic necropsy (can be wet lab) (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Participate in response to 1 natural or other disaster (field conditions, simulation or wet lab) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Complete a basic credentialing course for participation in disaster response |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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|  | ***Other Required Clinical Rotations***  (maintain activity and case logs for all clinical rotations) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | At least 2 weeks- Dermatology |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | At least 1 week- Ophthalmology |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | At least 2 weeks- Behavior practice with boarded behaviorist |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | At least 4 weeks- Behavior in shelter with approved supervisor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | At least 2 weeks- Avian/exotics/zoological medicine |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | At least 2 weeks- Small animal internal medicine |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | At least 1 week- Clinical Pathology |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | At least 1 week- Necropsy |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | At least 1 week- Community Practice |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ***Education and Other Scholarly Activities*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | Attend/participate in clinical rounds on a daily basis during the clinical training period; periodically lead rounds discussions an average of once every other week |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | Attend at least 60 hours of formal conferences (eg. journal clubs or seminars in shelter medicine) on a regular basis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | Deliver a formal presentation at journal club or seminar at least once per year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28 | Attend at least 1 major veterinary medical meeting with a dedicated shelter medicine track (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29 | Attend at least 1 national animal sheltering professional conference (maintain activity log) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30 | Deliver at least 6 formal presentations to professional audiences and/or shelter staff; at least 1 presentation must be delivered to a primarily veterinary audience and at least 1 must be delivered to a primarily shelter audience (excluding journal club and resident research presentations) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 | Complete a minimum of 6 hours of formal instruction in communication (including didactic and structured interaction) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ***Publication Requirements*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | Prepare at least 1 first author publication relevant to shelter medicine in a peer reviewed journal |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 33 | Prepare at least 1 first author article related to shelter medicine for a lay audience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |