



November 20, 2025

Tricia Gorham, CVT
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Dear Ms. Gorham:

Following review of the progress report for St. Petersburg College veterinary technology program, the AVMA Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA), continued the program **Full accreditation**.

After consideration of the documentation provided, the Committee has determined that continued reporting is required on the following deficiencies (see chart(s) below):

Critical deficiency(ies): None at this time

Major deficiency(ies): None at this time

The next report will be due Fall 2026 (September 15, 2026). Access to the report Instrument in Armature will be open approximately two months prior to the due date. If there are any changes that impact critical or major deficiencies that the CVTEA previously determined do not require continued reporting, the program must report this change. The next full accreditation site visit is scheduled for 2030.

If you have any questions, or if staff may be of assistance in the preparation of your next report, please do not hesitate to contact staff (Julie Horvath; jhorvath@avma.org).

Sincerely,

Michelle Smith

Michelle Smith, CVTEA Chair
AVMA Center for Veterinary Medical Accreditation

St. Petersburg College ROE 2024**CRITICAL DEFICIENCY (IES)**

Critical deficiencies apply to situations that clearly result in a program's inability to meet a Standard, and/or subject students, faculty, or others to unacceptable levels of risk. Documentation of significant progress toward compliance with each critical deficiency must be achieved by the time of the program's next report to CVTEA. Lack of compliance may be considered cause for a change in the program's accreditation status.

#	Critical Deficiency Description <i>It is critical that:</i>	Deficiency status (Met, Unmet with continued reporting)
1.	Construction of new facilities be completed on time as planned and include sufficient classroom, laboratory, and storage space to meet Program needs. (4a, 4b)	Met; 11/2025
2.	All clinical sites used in Program instruction emulate contemporary veterinary facilities by removing extraneous items from the surgical suite. (4b)	Met; 06/2024
3.	All clinical sites used in Program instruction be compliant with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations with respect to secondary labeling of repackaged materials and secure oxygen tank storage. (4e)	Met; 06/2024

St. Petersburg College ROE 2024**MAJOR DEFICIENCY (IES)**

Major deficiencies apply to situations that jeopardize the ability of the program to meet a Standard. Progress toward meeting each major deficiency must be demonstrated on an annual or biennial basis. Documentation of steps taken toward compliance with major deficiencies is required. Lack of compliance within the assigned five- or six-year period, prior to the next scheduled complete evaluation, may be considered cause for a change in the program's accreditation status.

#	Major Deficiency Description <i>It is required that:</i>	Deficiency status (Met, Unmet with continued reporting)
1.	Compensation and incentives be sufficient to retain and attract Program personnel.	Met; 11/2025