

Pain Management in Animals Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Veterinary and Animal Science	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the physiology and pathophysiology of pain in animals.
2. Identify acute vs. chronic pain using validated pain assessment tools.
3. Implement evidence-based pharmacological pain management strategies.
4. Apply multimodal analgesia protocols for enhanced patient outcomes.
5. Integrate non-pharmacological therapies, including physiotherapy and acupuncture.
6. Assess pain in companion animals, livestock, and exotic species.
7. Recognize behavioral and physiological indicators of pain.
8. Develop individualized pain management plans.
9. Explore the latest research and innovative analgesic drugs.
10. Implement post-operative pain monitoring and evaluation protocols.
11. Enhance client communication regarding pain management strategies.
12. Reduce animal stress through effective handling and pain mitigation.
13. Promote animal welfare through holistic and sustainable pain management approaches.

Target Audience

1. Veterinarians
2. Veterinary technicians and nurses
3. Animal physiotherapists
4. Veterinary students
5. Animal welfare officers
6. Livestock managers
7. Pet owners with professional interests
8. Researchers in veterinary pain management

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Pain in Animals

- Definition and classification of pain
- Pain physiology and nociception

- Acute vs. chronic pain mechanisms
- Behavioral and clinical signs of pain
- Case study: Post-surgical pain in dogs

Module 2: Pain Assessment Tools & Techniques

- Pain scales and scoring systems
- Behavioral assessment in cats, dogs, and horses
- Physiological indicators of pain
- Client-reported pain observations
- Case study: Assessing chronic osteoarthritis pain in cats

Module 3: Pharmacological Pain Management

- NSAIDs and corticosteroids
- Opioid analgesics and adjuvant drugs
- Dosing protocols and safety considerations
- Drug interactions and contraindications
- Case study: Multimodal pain management in post-operative canine patients

Module 4: Non-Pharmacological Therapies

- Physiotherapy and rehabilitation
- Acupuncture and acupressure techniques
- Laser therapy and hydrotherapy
- Nutraceuticals and supplements
- Case study: Managing chronic lameness in horses with physiotherapy

Module 5: Multimodal Analgesia

- Combining drugs and therapies for optimal results
- Stepwise approach to analgesia
- Monitoring and adjusting protocols
- Benefits of multimodal strategies
- Case study: Pain control in abdominal surgery in rabbits

Module 6: Pain Management in Livestock

- Pain assessment in cattle, sheep, and pigs
- Analgesia during procedures (castration, dehorning)
- Welfare-oriented management strategies
- Regulatory and ethical considerations
- Case study: Pain mitigation in dairy cattle during surgery

Module 7: Chronic & Neuropathic Pain Management

- Recognition and treatment of neuropathic pain
- Long-term management strategies
- Behavioral modification for chronic pain
- Client education and compliance
- Case study: Managing intervertebral disc disease in dogs

Module 8: Post-Operative & Palliative Care

- Pain management after surgery
- End-of-life care and palliative analgesia
- Monitoring and adjusting care plans
- Communication with owners on quality of life
- Case study: Palliative pain care in terminal cancer cats

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commencement of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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