Bovine Veterinary Medicine — a productive, rewarding, and enjoyable career.

You will:

- Work with cattle
- Design innovative herd health plans
- Enhance cattle well-being
- Contribute to a safe food supply
- Work in the great outdoors
- Experience versatile daily duties
- Enjoy a rural lifestyle and community
- Help feed the world

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The goals and objectives of the Ontario Association of Bovine Practitioners are to:

**Support the interests** of bovine practitioners in Ontario and promote their image within the profession, among the public, and industries they serve.

**Enhance relationships** between bovine practitioners and industry stakeholders.

**Establish veterinarians as food safety experts**, active in the production of safe, quality beef and dairy products.

**Uphold high professional standards** through continuing education and self-development.

**Communicate and co-operate** with academia, regulatory agencies, and other veterinary and agricultural organizations.

**Support bovine research** in areas of need or interest to the membership, profession, and the public.

**Highlight issues of concern** to Ontario’s bovine practitioners and the industries they serve.

**Promote interest in bovine practice** among agricultural and veterinary students.

### Who are we?

The Ontario Association of Bovine Practitioners (OABP) is a group of over 200 Ontario veterinarians with a passion for all aspects of the dairy, beef, and veal cattle industries. Elected volunteers from the profession serve as Directors and Executive members.

### What do we do?

The OABP offers a variety of continuing education (CE) opportunities to provide cutting edge information to veterinary practitioners and veterinary students, and through them, to producers and industry personnel.

**CE Meetings:** Two CE meetings (spring and fall) for veterinarians. New CE initiative developed in 2013 for Veterinary Technicians in bovine practice.

**Courses & Workshops:** Milking equipment evaluation, laboratory techniques for the diagnosis of mastitis (partner with AHL, University of Guelph), ultrasound, and financial/management.

**Training:** ProAction, Johne’s Risk Assessment and Management Program, mentoring of veterinary students in our practices, and research activities.

**Educational Articles:** Members contribute to Ontario Dairy Farmer and Ontario Beef Farmer magazines.

**Newsletter** for members: News from veterinary associations, research highlights, and member information.

### We support:

**Bovine Education Trust (BET)** - A foundation established at the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC), University of Guelph, to provide funding for specialty training in areas of bovine medicine and production for future and recent OVC graduates.

**Financial support** given for the dairy barn constructed at the University of Guelph, that provides training and research into bovine health, production, and medicine.

**Financial support** given for the Ontario Beef Research Centre, a unique, state-of-the-art, 165,000-square foot research station that is a world-class platform for discovery, learning and outreach.