

Discipline Case Report: 2014-01

The Discipline Committee convened a hearing of case #2014-01 vs Dr Steven Hendrick on October 16, 2014. The report of the Professional Conduct Committee had indicated that there was evidence Dr Hendrick had provided independent veterinary services to the public between October 31, 2013 and December 31, 2013 during a time when he was employed by the WCVM Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences.

The PCC report concluded that there was evidence that this practice activity, being outside the bounds of his stated employment, constituting a breach of the Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association Practice Standards in that there had been no practice inspection conducted of Dr Hendrick and there was not professional liability insurance in place to cover this activity. A joint submission was received from council which was modified by the Discipline Committee. Subject to this modified joint submission, a guilty plea was accepted from Dr Hendrick to these practice standards breaches.

The penalty, as imposed by the Discipline Committee, consisted of:

1. A letter of reprimand
2. A fine of \$5000 payable within 30 days of the decision.
3. Dr Hendrick was ordered to pay the costs of the investigation and hearing within 30 days of the decision.

Respectfully Submitted by the SVMA Discipline Committee