

NORTHERN ILLINOIS VMA
2026 SPRING SEMINAR,
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

REGISTRATION

Register online at
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If mailing or faxing the registration form below, please photocopy if more than one (1) attendee.

Name of attendee as it will appear on name badge.

Credentials, i.e., DVM, CVT, DACVR, etc.

Clinic name

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Email (required for confirmation and link to online notes.)

Do you require a vegetarian meal or have any other dietary concerns? Please circle your response and list any restrictions/requests.

YES

NO

**EARLY BIRD
REGISTRATION
DEADLINE:** **MONDAY, APRIL 13**
Additional \$15 beginning
Tuesday, April 14.

Walk-in attendees welcome and will be registered on-site at the event.



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SPEAKER



Leigh Ann Collins, DVM, CVA, CPEV

Regional Veterinary Director
Lap of Love Veterinary Hospice
Lutz, FL

After graduation from the University of Florida in 2008, Dr. Collins began her career in small animal practice in New Port Richey, FL.

Her passion for enhancing patient comfort led her to earn her Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist (CVA) credentials from the Chi Institute in December 2008. From 2012 to 2021, she provided compassionate care as a small animal associate before stepping into her current role as Regional Veterinary Director at Lap of Love Veterinary Hospice.

In this role, Dr. Collins combines her extensive veterinary experience with her love for client education, training, mentoring, and guiding fellow veterinarians. Her commitment to fostering a collaborative and supportive environment ensures her team delivers top-tier care to pets and their families during life's most delicate moments.



Veterinary Hospice & In-Home Euthanasia

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Early-bird registration

ends Monday, April 14,



NIVMA'S

**2026 SPRING
SEMINAR**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

**DVMs & CVTs Can Earn 5 CE Hours
by Attending!**

**DVMs, CVTs, Practice Managers &
Students Welcome!**

Walk-ins Welcome on Day of Event!

TEBALA
Event Center
7910 Newburg Road
Rockford IL 61108

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PROGRAM

8-8:50 A.M.	Registration/Vendors/ Light Breakfast
8:50-9:00 AM	Welcome: Kelli Kramer, DVM, CHPV (Hospice & Palliative Care), NIVMA President
9:00-10:00 AM	Practical Care & Home Hacks for Mobility Issues in Senior & Geriatric Pets
10:15-11:15 A.M.	Vital Ingredients for Veterinary Hospice & Palliative Care
11:30-12:30 PM	Helping Owners Assess Quality of Life
12:30-2:00 PM	Lunch Break
2:00-3:00 PM	Mapping the Euthanasia Experience
3:15-4:15 PM	Caregiver Burden and Relief

LECTURE DETAILS

Practical Care and Home Hacks for Mobility Issues in Senior and Geriatric Pets

Practical tips and home modifications to help keep mobility-impaired senior pets comfortable.

Vital Ingredients for Veterinary Hospice & Palliative Care

Core pillars of hospice care to guide comfort-focused treatment and decision-making for ill pets.

Helping Owners Assess Quality of Life

Tools and guidelines to help veterinarians support families in making compassionate quality-of-life decisions.

Mapping the Euthanasia Experience

A step-by-step approach to managing the euthanasia process with sensitivity and care for families and teams.

Caregiver Burden and Relief

Strategies to identify and address caregiver burnout, offering support and relief for families of aging or ill pets.

EVENT LOCATION

TEBALA EVENT CENTER, 7910
NEWBURG ROAD
ROCKFORD IL 61108



NIVMA OFFICERS

- Kelli Kramer, DVM, CHPV (Hospice & Palliative Care), President and ISVMA Region 6 Board Representative - Perryville Pet Hospital, Rockford
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NIVMA is accepting nominations for two (2) veterinary board member positions and (1) CVT on the NIVMA Board of Directors. Those nominated must be a resident/practitioner in ISVMA's Region 6 geographic area (Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, Jo Davies, Kane, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside and Winnebago counties).

Self-nominations are welcome.

Please email Dr. Bob Ebbesmeyer, NIVMA Secretary/Treasurer, at nivmadoc@gmail.com or mail to NIVMA, 5521S. Rock City Road, German Valley, IL 61039.

REGISTRATION FEES:

Up to and Including April 13:

DVM.....	\$ 185
CVT.....	\$ 95
Practice Personnel/Other.....	\$ 95
DVM or CVT Student.....	FREE

SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

For registrations beginning April 14..... \$ 15

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE ENCLOSED \$ _____

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Springfield, IL 62704

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