Initial Accreditation Training (IAT)

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Veterinarians applying for veterinary accreditation as well as those seeking to attend an Orientation Program will need to have completed Initial Accreditation Training (IAT).

IAT is web-based and is composed of an Introduction followed by three Veterinary Accreditation Lessons, four Emerging and Exotic Diseases of Animals Lessons, and seven Transboundary Disease Incursions. The lessons and incursions each have a corresponding multiple-choice quiz. A passing score of 80 percent on each of the 14 quizzes is required to earn an IAT Certificate of Completion.

An IAT Certificate of Completion earned in the IAT web course is required for admission to the Orientation Program. Both IAT and the Orientation Program must be completed in order to apply for accreditation.

For graduate and licensed veterinarians who have already received their degrees from a U.S. or foreign school or college of veterinary medicine and who are seeking veterinary accreditation for the first time, IAT is available only through the NVAP Coordinator in the State where accreditation is sought. (To look up contact information, use the dropdown menu at the bottom of this page.)

For students currently enrolled or matriculated in a U.S. school or college of veterinary medicine, IAT is incorporated into the regulatory or foreign animal disease curricula. Veterinary students can access the course content at

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NVAP Coordinators

NVAP coordinators are available to assist you with obtaining, maintaining, and updating your accreditation. As an accredited veterinarian, you must notify APHIS when your home or business contact information changes, one of your veterinary licenses expires or otherwise lapses, or you need to become authorized to perform accredited duties in an additional State.

Contact your NVAP coordinator for help with these needs or anything else related to your accreditation.

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