

Dr. Jamie Peyton to Lead Integrative Medicine Service

Dr. Jamie Peyton has joined the VMTH as our new chief of the Small Animal Integrative Medicine Service. Board certified in Emergency and Critical Care, Dr. Peyton also brings with her a wealth of knowledge and training in multiple aspects of integrative medicine.

Following graduation from the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Florida in 2004, Dr. Peyton completed a one-year internship in Small Animal Medicine and Surgery at Texas A&M University. She then came to UC Davis for a three-year residency in Small Animal Emergency and Critical Care. As an emergency and critical care specialist, Dr. Peyton instituted two intensive care services at multi-specialty referral small animal veterinary hospitals in Northern California. She also developed a small animal emergency and critical care residency program. During this time, she continued to investigate additional therapies for pain control, increased mobility and patient quality of life. When her own dog developed osteosarcoma, she found that combining radiation therapy and complementary treatments, such as acupuncture, helped improve her dog's cancer pain and quality of life. This experience changed her focus to continue to promote integrative medicine and a new career path was forged.



Dr. Jamie Peyton, DVM, DACVECC

“Integrative medicine is about combining conventional medicine with complementary therapy to provide a whole patient approach,” said Dr. Peyton. “I was inspired by this philosophy and wanted to learn additional modalities to help my patients not only leave the hospital earlier, but live a more comfortable life afterwards.”

Dr. Peyton has since continued her studies at the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society, and became a certified veterinary rehabilitation therapist at the Canine Rehabilitation Institute. She has gained membership into several integrative medicine associations, including

the American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture, the American Association of Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine and the International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management.

“We are excited to have Jamie join us,” said Dr. Jane Sykes, director of the VMTH's Small Animal Clinic. “Her experience in integrative medicine is a great addition to an already talented team that includes Drs. Lauren Frank and Marilyn Koski, as well as technician Ann Kitchen. We look forward to her leadership skills expanding that Service to serve our rapidly expanding client base.”

Thanks and Praise from Grateful Clients

“We are so thankful for UC Davis VMTH. Dr. Theon and his team were beyond amazing, and we just adore him. He went above and beyond helping us in any way he could.”

– Jen & Jeff Collins
Chico, California

“Each person who helped us at UC Davis was incredibly generous in spirit. I know that I made the right decision to come here for treatment.”

– Erin Briggs
Saint Helena, California

“Dr. Lauren Frank had been giving Max acupuncture treatments for the last year, and it has made a huge difference. Even the Internal Medicine Service saw a difference in him as a result of the treatments.”

– Vickie Bradshaw
Sacramento, California