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Coloradans need accessible and affordable high-quality veterinary care!

Vote YES on Proposition 129!

Colorado is facing a veterinary crisis with 1 in 3 pet owners unable to afford and access care. Proposition 129 creates expands the veterinary workforce to include a veterinary professional associate, or Vet "PA." Vet PAs increase workforce capacity and drive down costs to ensure more animals receive the care they need and deserve.



Like a physician assistant in human medicine, a Vet PA will be a master's degree-level professional who works

under the supervision of a Colorado licensed veterinarian to help examine pets, provide preventive and routine care, diagnose minor conditions and free up veterinarians to focus on the challenging cases that require their attention the most.

Colorado State University has developed a comprehensive and robust master's degree program to train Vet PAs. Proposition 129 will allow these professionals to work across Colorado to support supervising veterinarians and expand access to care.

KEY FACTS ABOUT PROPOSITION 129

- 20% of CO counties have little or no access to a veterinarian
- 1 in 3 CO pet owners experience barriers to accessing care
- 53% of CO veterinary professionals agree a Vet PA will expand the availability of care for pet owners and livestock

Local humane societies, animal shelters, veterinarians and pet owners support this measure because the current system doesn't work for many Coloradans and we need real solutions now. Proposition 129 will increase the veterinary workforce, expand access to care, lower costs and allow more pets to get the veterinary care they need and deserve.

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