



Applying a Quality Improvement Approach to Brachycephalic Dogs

This innovative programme has been put together by the Veterinary Specialist Association to create a programme of open dialogue between Specialists with extensive experience of managing brachycephalic dogs in the hospital setting. Using a combination of lectures, discussion, breakout groups and dialogue, we aim to tease out the best practice from Specialists' combined experience and input. This is a cross Specialism event including Surgery, Internal Medicine, Anaesthesia, Animal Behaviour, Animal Welfare and breeding. There are limited spaces available, so please register as soon as possible on :

<https://yourvetspecialist.org/quality-improvement-approach-meeting/>

Location: Woburn House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9HQ

<https://www.woburnhouse.co.uk>

Date : Thursday 27th March 2025

PROGRAMME

0930-1000 Registration. Coffee, tea and pastries

1000-1015 **Matt Gurney DipECVAA:** Introduction and presentation of pre meeting survey, lectures prompting audience suggestions for topics for afternoon discussion sessions

1015-1100 **Jane Ladlow DipECVS:** What are the knowledge gaps in treatment of Brachycephalic Obstructive Airway Syndrome? **Chair Akash Alexander DipECVS**

1100-1145 **Sarah Heath DipECAWBM:** Can we successfully manage the emotional health of brachycephalic dogs during hospitalisation? **Chair Charlotte McNamara (Health & Welfare Kennel Club)**

1145-1215 Break Coffee, tea and biscuits

1215-1300 **Fran Downing DipECVAA:** Peri-anaesthetic management of brachycephalic dogs. Do we have a best practice scenario? **Chair Matt Gurney DipECVAA**

1300-1400 lunch. Two course fork buffet

1400-1445 **Katherine Clarke DipECVIM:** Hospital acquired gastrointestinal signs in brachycephalic patients- more than just the short nose? **Chair Amanda Paul DipECVIM**

1445-1450 Introduction to the questions for the breakout groups and allocation

1455-1600 Breakout discussions x 5 and break. Coffee, tea and cake

1600-1700 Presentation by discussant from each group to the panel and conclusions

Discussants

Mike Herrtage DipECVIM ; Louise Clarke DipECVAA