

2022 Virtual MVTA Conference Speaker Bios

Saturday October 15, 2022

Betsy Hensley, CVT

Betsy has been a certified veterinary technician since 2005 and spent 10 years of her career as the Technical Education Program Manager at IVG Hospitals, Inc. by Ethos Veterinary Health. Betsy also holds her Massachusetts DESE professional teaching license in Animal Science and taught Veterinary Assisting Students at the high school level for six years. She recently joined Veterinary Emergency Group (VEG) as the Credential Support Specialist where she is thrilled to be a member of a wonderful team of industry leaders. Betsy is a member of NAVTA and sits on the NAVTA AVA Program Review Committee. She lives in Chelmsford, MA with her husband, two canine hiking buddies, 2 feline lap warmers and spends her free time tending to her garden and her empty nest that previously housed two college aged children.

Liza W. Rudolph, BAS, RVT, VTS (CP-CF, SAIM)

Liza has been working in veterinary medicine for over 20 years and is a Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS) in Canine/Feline Clinical Practice and in Small Animal Internal Medicine. Liza is the Program Director for the Veterinary Technology Program at Rowan College of South Jersey and provides education and training to veterinary technicians as a webinar instructor for Penn Foster, by traditional lecturing, and online continuing education opportunities. When not teaching, Liza is an active member of multiple veterinary organizations and practices as a relief veterinary technician; spending most of her clinical time in specialty practices in both the Mid-Atlantic and Midwest regions.

SUNDAY October 16, 2022

Rosie Villers-LaRocque, CVT

Rosie graduated from the Veterinary Technician program at North Shore Community College in 2008. Starting in general practice in 2006, she found her niche in 2010 when she started her path in Ophthalmology. Learning under Dr. Marrion at Bulger Animal Hospital for over 8 years, her passion for the specialty grew. She now works with Dr. Alario and Dr. Montgomery at New England Veterinary Ophthalmology in Manchester NH. Rosie has been approved to work towards her Ophthalmology VTS and is hopeful to sit for the exam in 2023. Rosie enjoys spending time with her husband, two kids, dog and cat. They enjoy going to Block Island in the summer and she would live at the beach if she could work for NEVO from there.

Robyn Heater, CVT, VTS (ECC)

Robyn has been working in emergency medicine for 20 years. She is a long-time employee of the BluePearl Waltham hospital and enjoys working on the overnights. She provides in-house lectures on various emergency topics to the technician staff, as well as teaching proper patient handling techniques to new technician employees. She obtained her VTS in ECC in 2010 and has served on several AVECCTN committees. Special areas of interest are poly-trauma and CPR. When not working she enjoys roller-skating, camping, kayaking and hanging out with her dog and cats.