

September 2023 News

Our Online Business Course Is Starting Soon! Register Now!

Invest in yourself and your practice by enrolling in our online course [The Business of Canine Rehabilitation](#), coming up in October. This live/interactive course includes three Zoom sessions on October 11, 18, and 25 with additional videos and course content in between sessions. Students will focus on creating a business plan and learning strategies for achieving profitability in a canine rehabilitation practice. [Learn more and register.](#)



Thinking of How to Spend Your CE Time in 2024? Check Out These CRI Courses!

[Exercise Physiology of the Working Canine](#)

January 27-30, 2024
Big Lake, Alaska

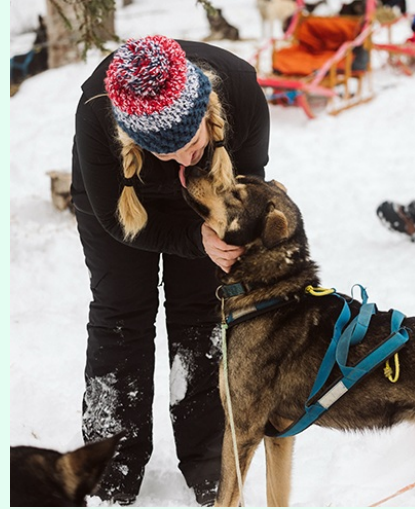
Have you ever wanted to learn about the astounding athletic feats of the Alaskan Sled Dog? Are you curious about how extreme athletes manage to do all they do physiologically? The course is a deep dive into the research behind working dogs. You go from learning to doing by driving your own sled dog team. This course is held in Big Lake, Alaska, and is a bucket list item! [Register now](#) to reserve your seat!



[Internal Medicine and Pain Management for the Advanced Rehabilitation Therapist](#)

February 3-6, 2024
Big Lake, Alaska

We all have those cases that just don't do as well as we had hoped. Endocrine, metabolic, or pain states frequently hinder the patient's progress and outcome. You'll get practical tips on managing your most complex cases from the rehabilitation perspective. This course is held in Big Lake, Alaska, allowing the student to experience sled dog driving! [Learn more](#) and register today!



Osteoarthritis Symposium

March 1-2, 2024
Springfield, Missouri

You will learn an updated understanding of osteoarthritis pathophysiology, which is not simply attributed to joint wear and tear. This knowledge will inform your decision-making for patient care. The course covers different therapeutic options, such as medical management, nutraceuticals, physical modalities, therapeutic exercise, and intra-articular injections. A wet lab session on the second day of the course will provide ample opportunity for joint injection practice. [Learn more and register.](#)



CRI Faculty Spotlight

Meet Dr. Cara Blake!

CRI's September Faculty Spotlight is Cara Blake, DVM, DACVS-SA, CCRT. Cara is a board-certified small animal surgeon with Boston Mobile Veterinary Specialists. She previously worked as an Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, a staff surgeon at Massachusetts Veterinary Referral Hospital, and an Assistant Professor of Surgery at the Oklahoma State University Center for Veterinary Health Sciences.

Cara's clinical and research interests include minimally invasive orthopedic surgery, use of regenerative therapies for the treatment of musculoskeletal injuries, osteoarthritis, clinical outcome assessments for orthopedic patients and pain management.



A few fun facts about Cara ...

Start work late or leave work early?

Both

Emails or conversations?

Conversations

Winter or summer? Both – and fall

Chocolate or vanilla? Mocha

Puppies or kittens? Both

Read Dr. Cara Blake's [biography](#) on the CRI website, and check our [Facebook page](#) for more fun facts about Dr. Cara!



In the Words of Our Students ...

"All instructors in labs were amazing, patient, thorough, extremely knowledgeable and you just know they really wanted you to learn. This made me feel very comfortable to ask questions rather than hold back on my questions, which was a great feeling."

– Elena Foulcher, RVN, NSW, Australia

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Update to the Program! Now Only Two Trips Are

Required to Complete Your Certification Program!

We have taken note of your feedback and are happy to announce that from Spring 2024 onward, the final two modules of the CCRT and CCRVN/CCRA courses will be scheduled consecutively. This decision aims to minimize the time you spend away from work and loved ones while also cutting down on travel costs. If you prefer to extend your learning over a longer period of time, you may choose to take the courses individually.



Register Now for Our Next Introduction Module in Australia in December!



CRI has teamed with VetPrac to bring our certification program to Australia! Our [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#) module in July in Brisbane was a smashing success! We enjoyed working with the students and spreading the love of veterinary rehabilitation worldwide!

We will return to Australia December 8-11 for another [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#) module! Don't miss your chance to take this class! [Register now](#) to reserve your seat!



While we were in Australia, Dr. Kara Amstutz and Dr. Cara Blake also spoke on a variety of topics at [ANZCVS Science Week](#) and led a hands-on workshop on LASER and Shockwave therapies. We can't wait to go back to Australia in December!

Upcoming Course Dates To Be Announced Soon!

We are working on confirming the dates for our [Diagnostic Musculoskeletal Ultrasound](#) continuing education course. Please watch our newsletter and website for the 2024 course dates.



Registration Is Open for Winter-Spring 2024 Courses!

Our Winter-Spring 2024 courses are NOW open! Secure your spot in our certification or continuing education classes. [Click here](#) for a calendar of our in-person and online classes. [Register](#) now to reserve your seat in these upcoming classes!

2023

- [The Business of Canine Rehabilitation](#), October 11, 18, 25, Live/Interactive Online Course
- [Clinical Skills](#), December 1-3, Springfield, Missouri
- [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#), December 8-11, Brisbane, Australia

2024

- [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#), January 6-9, Springfield, Missouri
- [Clinical Applications](#), January 10-11, Springfield, Missouri
- [Exercise Physiology of the Working Canine](#), January 27-30 plus Optional Full-Day Mushing on January 31 or February 1, Big Lake, Alaska
- [Internal Medicine and Pain Management for the Advanced Rehabilitation Therapist](#), February 3-6 plus Optional Full-Day Mushing on February 7 or 8, Big Lake, Alaska
- [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#), February 12-15, Springfield, Missouri
- [Osteoarthritis Symposium](#), March 1-2, Springfield, Missouri
- [Canine Rehabilitation Veterinary Nurse](#), March 18-20, Springfield, Missouri
- [Canine Therapeutic Exercise](#), March 21-22, Springfield, Missouri
- [Clinical Skills](#), April 15-17, Springfield, Missouri
- [Clinical Applications](#), April 18-19, Springfield, Missouri



Save the Dates for Our 2024 Acupuncture Modules!

Veterinarians and veterinary students: Make plans to attend our [Certified Veterinary Acupuncture Therapist program](#) in 2024!

In 2024, CRI will hold its Acupuncture program at its Headquarters in Springfield, Missouri, and each module will now have 4 days of in-person instruction.



Our 2024 Acupuncture course dates are:

- [Module 1: Introduction to Veterinary Medical Acupuncture](#) - May 20-23, 2024
- [Module 2: Veterinary Medical Acupuncture for Sports Medicine / Rehabilitation Patients](#) - August 19-22, 2024
- [Module 3: Canine and Feline Medical Acupuncture](#) - October 7-10, 2024

Save the dates! Registration is opening soon!

Veterinary students, please see the [Veterinary Student Certification page](#) for complete details about the certification process.



See CRI at the STAAR Conference!

CRI is sponsoring this year's [STAAR Conference](#) (Symposium on Therapeutic Advances in Animal Rehabilitation).

STAAR Conference

September 27-30

Parsippany, New Jersey

<https://www.staarconference.com/>

Advanced courses in rehabilitation and physical therapy taught by industry leaders and pioneers.

If you will be at the STAAR Conference, please stop by and say hello!



Veterinary Nurse Corner

Veterinary nurses and assistants: We have updated our CCRVN and CCRA program starting November 2022. Our certification modules are now:

- [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#)
- [Canine Rehabilitation Veterinary Nurse](#)
- [Canine Therapeutic Exercise](#)

Visit our [CCRVN page](#) for complete details.



We Had a Great Time With Our August Introduction and Clinical Applications Students!

Congratulations to all our students who completed rehabilitation certification classes in August!



Students and faculty gathered for a class photo during [Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation](#), held August 25-28 in Springfield, Missouri.



Students, faculty, and dog professors posed for a class photo during [Clinical Applications](#), held August 29-30 in Springfield, Missouri.

Sign Up for Free Articles and Resources from CARE!

Did you know [Canine Arthritis Resources and Education \(CARE\)](#) has a wealth of FREE resources to help veterinary professionals and pet owners manage osteoarthritis (OA)?

CARE's featured **Article of the Month** is just one of many resources available with a free subscription.



Ultrasonographic appearance of supraspinatus and biceps tendinopathy improves in dogs treated with low-intensity extracorporeal shock wave therapy: a retrospective study

Frontiers in Veterinary Science, August 2023

Authors: Tari Kern, Jane Manfredi, Julia Tomlinson

Abstract: This study aimed to determine whether dogs with shoulder tendinopathy diagnosed via musculoskeletal ultrasound would show improvement in imaging after treatment using piezoelectric shockwave therapy and rest.

[Read the full article.](#)

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September Events from Onlinepethealth

Hi Vetrehabbers, we are creeping ever closer to the [Vet Rehab Summit](#) on the 10th and 11th of November. If you haven't yet booked your spot, early-bird tickets are available until the 11th of September (Save \$100!). This year, the focus is on the myofascial kinetic lines, and we can't wait to welcome authors and researchers Vibeke Elbrond and Rikke Schultz to join us as our lecturers.

You get the MOST, and save the MOST by being an Onlinepethealth member. In September, members can register for FREE VIP access to the Vet Rehab Summit, and we are adding 5 phenomenal new webinars to the member's libraries, including:

Arielle Pechette Markley joins us for the first of a series of lectures on IA therapies, sponsored by Companion Animal Health. Over the next two months, we will be sharing more of Arielle's lectures diving into intra-articular therapies and how they can impact our patients.

In the Equine Membership, Jec Aristotle Ballou joins us to take a deep dive into groundwork and the use of hills in rehabilitation programs.

#neverstoplearning #vetrehabbers!

[Learn more about Onlinepethealth here.](#)

Kind Regards,
The Onlinepethealth Team

What's Happening This Month

*all content and webinars are available from the 4th of every month



The Myofascial Examination

Rick Wall

Intra-articular Therapy - Introduction: Indications, Techniques, and Ortho-biologics

Arielle Pechette Markley



Fitness-Based Groundwork: Re-Conditioning That Goes Beyond Hand-Walking

Jec Ballou

Hills: Clearer Prescriptions for Using Hill/Terrain Work when Conditioning Horses.

Jec Ballou



Using Hydrotherapy to Manage Developmental Conditions in the Dog

Tanya Grantham

Breezie Dog Professor of the Month

Our September Breezie Dog Professor of the Month is Moses, owned by the Bradley Family.

Two years ago, Moses was adopted from Rescue One after his mom was rescued and then had puppies. His family reports: "Moses loves people, playing with other pups, napping, carrots, and running. He's not fond of baths."

In recognition of this honor, Moses will receive a \$50 gift certificate from [Jiminy's](#) good for any of their treats or dog food. Congratulations, Moses!



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