# EDPA Pre-Certification Letter for Supervising Veterinarian Requirements

All applicants for EDPA Certification Testing must go though a pre-certification application process. The applicant must submit 4 case studies with supervising veterinary forms for each horse, a work history log containing detailed charts from 24 of their past cases, proof of education or apprenticeship, and copies of all necessary pre-certification items. The EDPA certification evaluation committee will review and either pass or fail the applicant. If the applicant passes pre-certification he or she can sit for the EDPA Certification Written Test. Applicants must pass the written exam by 90% and then they are eligible to take the Practical Exam which involves the written evaluation and charting of 5 test skulls. Again, the applicant must pass the practical test by 80% in order to complete and pass EDPA Certification. This process is approved and accepted by both Texas and Oklahoma State Veterinary Boards.

The EDPA Pre-Certification process basically serves as a practicum for equine dental providers to ensure equine dental knowledge, horse handling skills, safety, tool use and professionalism. It is imperative that the supervising veterinarian for each case study understands the significance of this process for Certification testing.  Please review the Supervising Veterinary Form and be prepared to observe and evaluate the applicant on the areas specified. You may provide any additional comments or information necessary to evaluate the applicant. **The required 4 case studies are the applicants live horse practical testing.**

The veterinarians play a crucial role in the equine dental provider profession. The EDPA supports and promotes this working relationship with the utmost respect for laws and welfare of horse and horse owners.

For more information or questions regarding the EDPA Certification or Pre-Certification process, please contact one of the following:

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