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Dr. Mary Beth Leininger received her veterinary degree from Purdue University and co-owned an AAHA-accredited hospital in Plymouth, Michigan, with her spouse for more than 30 years. She left practice in 1999 to join Hill's Pet Nutrition, Inc as the Director, Professional Affairs, a position she held for 10 years.

Dr. Leininger has been active in organized veterinary medicine her entire career. She was president of her local and state veterinary associations and has received many awards from veterinary, community, and other professional organizations, as well as from the veterinary schools at both Michigan State University and Purdue University. Some of her recent honors include election as a Distinguished Practitioner in Veterinary Medicine in the National Academies of Practice, an honorary Doctor of Science degree from her alma mater Purdue, and the 2009 Pioneer Professional Award from VetPartners.

Dr. Leininger was appointed by the Governor of Michigan to both the veterinary licensing board and the Joint Commission on Controlled Substances. In 1998, she was selected as a Fellow of the Michigan Political Leadership Program. She served nine years on AVMA's Council on Public Relations and chaired the AVMA Public Relations Roundtable, the Nine States Conference, and several task forces for the Pew National Veterinary Education Program.

Dr. Leininger is most widely known as the 1996/1997 President of the American Veterinary Medical Association, the first woman elected to that office in the 146 year history of the organization.



NAVMEC Facilitator: Ken Andrews, PhD

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Dr. Ken Andrews is an experienced facilitator, skilled at stimulating fresh thinking and providing clarity in complex situations involving multifunctional teams. He is also an innovative skills trainer, with a broad portfolio of highly practical programs. The combination of these strengths ensures outstanding value for his clients.

Originally trained as a research physicist with bachelor and doctorate degrees, Ken has been a successful entrepreneur and corporate executive in the technology/manufacturing sector for more than 20 years. He is experienced in front-line management and senior corporate strategy roles, and has worked in the diverse cultural and business environments of N. America, Europe, and Asia. Ken has built his consulting business with a focus on high-impact interventions for effective decision-making, particularly in strategic customer-related issues. He has worked with a wide spectrum of organizations in manufacturing, technology, security, environmental protection, human and animal health, legal and financial services, and public policy development. He has spearheaded many strategic planning, business development and foresight workshops in a diverse range of environments.