

Veterinary Debt Initiative

Co-Lead Organizations: AVMA, AAVMC, VMAE

Vision: VDI envisions an environment in which veterinarians thrive in rewarding and financially sustainable careers

Mission: The mission of the VDI is to facilitate strategies that reduce the impact of the cost of education on the pursuit of a personally and professionally rewarding veterinary career.

Priorities	Communications	Resources
Strategic Objective	Facilitate internal and cross-organizational communications on this issue	Develop a process for an ongoing educational debt landscape review that can be used to inform co-lead organizational strategies, stakeholder needs and calls for action.
Supporting Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop a mechanism for sharing relevant information and resources across the co-lead organizations for distribution to appropriate stakeholders• Revisit the VDI website and VDI web presence• Develop relationships with key resources and stakeholders outside of the veterinary profession	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revisit the 2018 gap analysis document and update• Systemic review of educational debt (revisiting the 2016 concept map)• Work towards a dashboard-type resource that will be iterative as the student debt landscape changes• Incorporate a holistic approach to the landscape review that addresses intersections of student debt with diversity, equity and inclusion and wellbeing.