



Dr. Dana Zimmer, DVM, Diplomate ACVIM is dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) at the University of Florida, where she has served since 2021.

Her clinical expertise comprises equine internal medicine, neonatology and sport horse medicine.

Dr. Zimmer worked in private equine practice in Ocala, Florida and at the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine. She joined UF in 2002, working in equine extension and large animal internal medicine. She became chief of staff of the UF Veterinary Hospitals in 2010 and held that position until her appointment to the associate dean role in 2015. Under her leadership, the hospital caseload has grown from 20,542 patients in 2011 to 41,811 patients seen in 2019. In 2012, Dr. Zimmer spearheaded the creation of the UF Pet Emergency Treatment Services, an

emergency satellite hospital forging the first public-private enterprise with local-area veterinarians. In 2023, Dr. Zimmer collaborated with the World Equestrian Center (WEC) to open the UF Veterinary Hospital at WEC, a 40,000 sq ft hospital providing expertise in Equine Sports Medicine, Diagnostic Imaging, Rehabilitation and Small Animal Primary/Urgent Care in Ocala, FL.

She has been the president of the American Association of Veterinary Clinicians, served on the board of directors of the American Association of Equine Practitioners, and founding member and chair of Veterinary Management Group-20 (Equine Academic Group), Veterinary Management Group-30 (Small Animal Academic Group) and the Florida Association of Equine Practitioners. She currently serves as a board of directors member for the American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges and for UF Health Shands.

She earned her BS in Animal Sciences and DVM from the University of Florida. She is board-certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine.