



Key Definitions for CBVE-N

Nursing Plan

A nursing plan contains all of the relevant information about a patient's diagnoses, the goals of treatment, observations that are needed, actions that must be performed, and a plan for evaluation. Over the course of the patient's treatment, the plan is updated with any changes and new information as it presents itself.

Veterinary Technician

Used in this document to describe graduates of veterinary nursing, veterinary technology, and veterinary technician programs.

Competency-Based Veterinary Education - Nursing

An outcomes-based approach to the design, implementation, assessment, and evaluation of veterinary nursing/technology programs, using an organized framework of competencies. This could be applied to bachelor or associate degree programs. (As adapted from^{2,3})

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^{2.} Frank, J.R., Snell, L.S., Ten Cate, O., et al. (2010) Competency-based medical education: Theory to practice. Medical Teacher, 32(8), 638-645.

^{3.} CBVE Terminology [Internet]. Washington, DC: American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges; 2020 Dec [revised 2025 Mar, cited 2025 Mar 13]. Available from: https://cbve.org/terminology.