

This is an amendment to 16.25.9 NMAC, Section 9 effective 01/14/2025

16.25.9.9 PREMISES - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

A. All premises where veterinary medicine including its various branches is being practiced and all instruments, equipment, apparatus, and apparel used in connection with those practices, shall be kept clean and sanitary and shall conform to the standards specified for different types of facilities.

B. Every veterinary facility shall provide information regarding the availability of the nearest emergency services and make that information easily available to the public. ~~[Emergency service either by staff veterinarians or by pre-arranged referral to another veterinarian within a reasonable distance shall be provided at all times. Referral must be acknowledged and agreed upon by both the referring and referred veterinarians.]~~

C. Every veterinary facility shall maintain the following:

(1) A sanitary environment to include the proper routine disposal of waste material, proper sterilization or sanitation of all equipment used in diagnosis or treatment, and adequate storage to provide a neat and orderly appearance;

(2) An adequate library of textbooks, journals or other current veterinary reference materials, readily available on the premises or available through electronic access;

(3) Proper storage and environmental control for all medicines and biologics based on the manufacturer's recommendations;

(4) Properly maintained records; and

(5) Legally accessible methods for the disposal of deceased animals and infectious waste.

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