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## Aaron Wallace

*24/7 Emergency & Critical Care*

Dr. Wallace is passionate about veterinary medicine, technology, and business models that create advancements for pets. He loves emergency triage and patient stabilization including polytrauma, endocrinopathies, and immune-mediated cases. He finds mentoring future veterinary professionals as well as his engagement and ability to establish trust with pet parents to be the most rewarding part of his career thus far.

Prior to applying to veterinary school, Dr. Wallace spent 15 years in the profession. As a high school student, he was employed as an apprentice in a rural one doctor practice where he would complete custodial duties in exchange for the opportunity to assist in surgical procedures. He then attended Bucknell University with degree focuses on environmental science and animal behavior where his research was focused on proving the cognitive abilities of honey bees. From 2005 - 2011, Dr. Wallace made it his mission to gain as much experience as possible to better prepare him for a career as a medical professional; which included 3 years as a mixed animal veterinary technician under the mentorship of Dr. John Shapira, 7 years as a technician in specialty anesthesia, surgery, and emergency at Aspen Meadow Veterinary Specialists, and 2 years as a bovine reproductive ultra-sonographer under Dr. Kevin McSweeney. He returned to the classroom to complete a Masters of Science in Toxicology where he focused his experience on clinical toxicology and pharmacology including completing some of the veterinary industry's first PK/PD work on CBD in over 40 years. During graduate school, his interest in the business aspect of medicine became apparent. It was at this time that he discovered the correlation between strong business models and sound medical standards of care when he was promoted to procurement director of Aspen Meadow Veterinary Specialists and Alpenglowl Veterinary Specialty and Emergency Center. This opportunity motivated him to apply to Colorado State University's combined Masters of Business and Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine (MBA/DVM) program.

As a combined MBA/DVM student, Dr. Wallace became a co-founder of the veterinary industry's first digital cytology solution, Lacuna Diagnostics Inc., which enables veterinary teams to have clinical pathology interpretations in minutes by digitizing the microscope slide at the hospital rather than

sending microscope slides to outside laboratories and waiting days for answers. Following the combined degree, he wanted to seed his veterinary experience for his future career and was welcomed back to Aspen Meadow Veterinary Specialists as their first Emergency and Critical Care intern under Dr. Justin Mathis and Dr. Geoff Heffner.

Dr. Wallace is currently the Co-CEO of Lacuna Diagnostics as well as a part time emergency and critical care veterinarian at Aspen Meadow Veterinary Specialists. When he is off duty you will likely find him enjoying Colorado on his mountain bike or snowboard, camping and traveling with his wife Alyssa, or watching hockey with Lord Stanley, the NHL's #1 feline hockey fan!



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