# **Congratulations Dr. Dennis Keith!**

Please join us in congratulating Dr. Keith on an awesome opportunity and promotion to VCA Southwest Regional Medical Director beginning March 1st. We are immensely happy for him and as you all know the VCA Hospitals of the Southwest Region are getting an exemplary medical director.

Although Dr. Keith officially takes on his new role March 1st, 2017, some changes begin immediately. Please read below for more information.

# What does this mean for your patients needing diagnostic imaging?

We have always practiced a team-based approach at ARECA. All of our primary care departments continue to be staffed by the doctors you have come to trust. There will be technical and procedural changes in how we handle imaging referrals, but we remain committed to excellent patient care, and outstanding customer service.



# **CT Scans**



If appropriate, our Daytime ER and Critical Care doctors will perform CT scans. Interpretations will be done by Antech Imaging Services Radiologists. Please call and speak with Dr. Heuss, or Dr. Burns.

Cases with specific clinical concerns may be handled through our Internal Medicine Department.

Because the case will be admitted through another department, an appropriate examination will appear on their

paperwork. For outpatient services, will will keep the total cost to the client the same.

# Feline Radioiodine Treatment Program

Melissa Moyer, DVM, DACVIM and Jessie Markovich, DVM, DACVIM will treat I131 patients. Your clients can still call and talk to Diagnostic Imaging Technicians for information and scheduling.



# Ultrasounds



Melissa Moyer, DVM, DACVIM, Jessica Heuss, DVM, DACVECC, and Janet Addison, DVM - IM Resident are training with Dr. Keith currently and will be attending formal training through the Academy of Veterinary Imaging to enable them to scan for diagnostic purposes.

Brian Sessink, DVM - ER, Andy Lenius, DVM - ER and Kristi Burns, DVM - ER have always performed FAST scans and ER type scans.

Melanie Feck-Stoudt and Sara Davis, Dr. Keith's technicians will continue to assist our doctors in the ultrasound department.

We are diligently looking for a replacement radiologist, please let your colleagues know this. *At this time we are suspending outpatient ultrasound appointments until a replacement radiologist is found.* 

### Fluoroscopy

Fluoro will continue to be performed by our Internal Medicine Department. Tracheal stenting can be scheduled through our surgery department and medicine department.

### **Biopsies**

We will not currently be able to perform ultrasound guided biopsies however abdominal cavity biopsies can be obtained laparoscopically through our surgeons, Christopher Monarski, DVM, DACVS - SA and Roman Savicky, DVM, DACVS - SA.

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