



# Animal Abuse: Identification and knowing what to do

What do you do when you are presented with a case of suspected animal abuse? How do you talk to the owner? What diagnostic techniques should you use? What procedures should you follow? A suspected abuse case can be very challenging for any clinician. **Dr Paula Boyden**, Veterinary Director of the Dogs Trust in the UK and **Professor Ranald Munro**, Honorary Professor of Forensic Veterinary Pathology at the Royal Veterinary College, will help set the scene for dealing and diagnosing with animal abuse and neglect cases, including how to do basic forensic investigation and how to keep the chain of evidence, write reports and communicate with clients and other stakeholders. They will also talk about the unfortunate but real link between animal abuse and domestic abuse.

## BIOGRAPHY

**Dr Boyden** graduated from the Royal Veterinary College, University of London in 1992. She spent 11 years in general practice before moving into industry in 2003 and joined Dogs Trust in 2010, where she is now Veterinary Director.

Paula has an ongoing interest in the 'link'; the interrelationship between domestic violence, child abuse and cruelty to animals. She has spoken widely on the subject, is treasurer of The Links Group and is regularly involved in undergraduate training on Non-Accidental Injury (NAI) within the UK veterinary schools.

Paula is a founder member and treasurer of the Association of Charity Vets and board member of the Blue Dog Trust. She chairs the Pet Advertising Advisory Group (PAAG), sits on the British Small Animal Veterinary Association's Scientific Committee and is a member of the Wales Animal Health and Welfare Framework Group. Paula received BSAVA's J A Wight Memorial Award in 2017 for her contribution to the welfare of companion animals.

**Prof Munro** graduated from Glasgow University in 1967 and worked in Kenya, Hong Kong and the South Pacific before joining the pathology section of the British Government's Veterinary Laboratory service. He was appointed Head of Pathology for the Veterinary Laboratories Agency (VLA), UK in 1998. With a long-term involvement with animal welfare he is a former Chairman of the Scottish SPCA and President of the World Society for Protection of Animals.

Following his retirement from the VLA he was appointed Honorary Professor of Forensic Veterinary Pathology at the Royal Veterinary College, London and Honorary Fellow in the Royal School of Veterinary Studies, Edinburgh where he specialised in forensic pathology in free-living species, companion animals and farmed livestock.

## Speakers:



**Dr Paula Boyden**  
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## DETAILS

Date: 24 October 2018, Wednesday  
Time: 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm (Light dinner available at 7pm)  
Venue: Rm8-210, 8/F, Lau Ming Wai Academic Building,  
City University of Hong Kong, Kowloon Tong  
Fee: Veterinarians: HK\$150  
Vet Nurses/Vet Assistants/Others: HK\$100  
Students: HK\$50

## CPD

2 CPD points from the Veterinary Surgeons Board of Hong Kong

## REGISTRATION

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