



Professional Animal Care Certification Council (PACCC) Announces First Certified Professional Animal Care Manager (CPACM) Exam

Next level of Independent certification for pet care services professionals debuts in June

NEW YORK, NY – April 20, 2017 – The Professional Animal Care Certification Council (PACCC) today announced that the first independent certification exam for pet care professionals to become a Certified Professional Animal Care Manager (CPACM) will be offered in June during a two week period, June 10 -24, 2017, but the deadline to register for the CPACM exam is May 15, 2017. The CPACM is the person in charge of the daily operation of a professional pet care business. The CPACM exam, as distinguished from the Certified Professional Care Provider (CPACP) exam, is more experience-based and management-focused.

“PACCC is proud to advance our pet safety mission by introducing our next level of independent certification with the CPACM exam,” said PACCC Co-Founder, Susan Briggs. “Even if you’re sitting behind a desk and dealing with human resources more than resource guarding, pet care knowledge and safety should be a certifiable requirement at every level of pet care services such as pet lodging, dog daycare, pet sitting, and dog walking.”

As with all PACCC exams, the CPACM content was created by a team of industry expert volunteers under the guidance of the Professional Testing Corporation (PTC), the third-party testing organization that will be administering the exam and certifying the results. The CPACP exam will also be offered in June, the third time the provider exam has been offered.

The following provides a brief overview for each exam. For more details, requirement specifics, and to register for either exam, visit <http://www.paccert.org/exam-info>:

Certified Professional Animal Care Manager (CPACM) Exam

Independent certification for the person in charge of the daily operation of a pet care services business. Brings a high level of knowledge and understanding about the importance of quality care for pets, pet parents, and/or the team employees that they oversee.

Requirements to take exam: At least two years or 4,000 hours of experience working in animal care, as well as letters of reference.

Deadline to register: May 15, 2017

Available exam dates: June 10 – 24, 2017

Certified Professional Animal Care Provider (CPACP) Exam

Independent certification for the person in charge of the daily handling of the animals of a professional pet care services business. Providers work in a variety of settings that include, but are not limited to, pet care center, pet sitting, dog walking, grooming, bathing, customer service and training, and overseeing every aspect of an animal's well-being while in their care.

Requirements to take exam: Working in animal care for a minimum of 90 days or 500 hours of hands-on experience, as well as letters of reference.

Deadline to register: May 1, 2017

Available exam dates: June 10 – 24, 2017

About PACCC

The Professional Animal Care Certification Council was founded by industry leaders to bring independent certification to the pet care services industry, an important step for a rapidly growing, easy to enter industry frequently damaged by news reports of serious pet accidents and deaths. For more information, visit www.paccert.org.

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