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**Education & Certifications:**

- 2021 – Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation
- 2017 – International Academy of Veterinary Pain Management
  - Certified Veterinary Pain Practitioner
- 2017-2020 – American College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation
  - Residency
- 2015 – Healing Oasis Wellness Center, Sturtevant, WI
  - Certified Veterinary Spinal Manipulative Therapy (CVSMT)
- 2014 – Chi Institute for Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine, Reddick, FL
  - Certified Veterinary Food Therapist (CVFT)
- 2013 – Chi Institute for Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine, Reddick, FL
  - Certified Veterinary Acupuncture (CVA)
- 2011 – Canine Rehabilitation Institute, Wellington, FL
  - Certified Canine Rehabilitation Therapist (CCRT)
- 1992-1996 – University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
  - Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
- 1988-1992 – University of Nevada, Reno, NV
  - BS – Biology
  - BS – Veterinary Science

**Professional experience:**

- January 2017 – Present – The Healing Oasis – Senior Faculty
- June 2013 – Present – Integrative Pet Care of Homer Glen – Owner and Medical Director
- June 2012 – 2013 – Integrative Pet Care Chicago – Clinician
- January 2004 – Present – Colonial Manor Animal Hospital – Clinician & Owner
- June 2001 – January 2004 – Various small animal and emergency clinics as a relief veterinarian
- June 1996 – June 2001 – Homewood Animal Hospital – Clinician

**Research Grants:**

- American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians Research Grant – 2016

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- “The prevalence of spondylosis deformans in tail-less Rottweilers and its association with cranial cruciate ligament insufficiency.”

**Publications:**

- Journal of the American Animal Hospital Association 2019 Nov/Dec;55(6):301-305.
  - “Prevalence of Spondylosis Deformans in Tailed Versus Tail-Docked Rottweilers” *Amber Ihrke, DVM, Pedro Riviera, DVM, Rosemary LoGiudice, DVM, Michelle Giuffrida, VMD, MSCE, Kathleen Neforos, CVT*

**Current Memberships:**

- American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)
- Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association (ISVMA)
- American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians (AARV)
  - Board of Directors- Membership Chair – 2017 & 2018
  - Board of Directors – President – 2019
  - Board of Directors – Past President - 2020
- International Academy of Veterinary Pain Management (IAVPM)
- American Holistic Veterinary Medicine Association

**Community/Personal Activities:**

- Girl Scout leader and volunteer
- Frankfort/New Lenox Running Club – Member
- Lincoln-Way Masters Swimming Team – Treasurer & Member
- JHC/Multisport Mastery - Member
- 3-time Ironman Triathlon Finisher (2.4-mile swim/112-mile bike/26.2-mile run)
- 5-time USA Triathlon National Championship Qualifier