



AVDC Diplomate Supervision Requirements

Information on AVDC Diplomate Supervision Requirements for Trainees in Residency or Alternate Pathway Training Programs

Items shown in underlined italic font are available on the AVDC web site, by links from the *Information for Registered Trainees* page unless otherwise stated.

For Alternate Pathway (AP) and Dual-Degree (DD) Pathway trainees:

A minimum total period of 12 weeks (480 hours) of direct supervision of the trainee by the Mentor or another AVDC Diplomate is required during the training period.

Mentor visitations can take place at the mentor's practice, the trainee's practice, or any other facility at which veterinary dental cases are attended to in the simultaneous presence of the mentor and trainee. Time spent together on other occasions, e.g. at meetings and continuing education programs, does not count toward the visitation requirement.

Mentor visitation time can also be accumulated with AVDC diplomates other than the trainee's mentor, providing it constitutes clinical contact time as described above.

If the Mentor or other visitation Diplomate is also an anesthesia, radiology or surgery Diplomate who will be supervising the Related Specialist Training Requirement, the 40 hours in the related discipline is in addition to the 12-week (480 hours) AVDC Diplomate supervision period.

The 12-week period does not include the required time in related disciplines (anesthesia, surgery, radiology) unless time is spent with an appropriately qualified specialist during the visitation with the Mentor.

For electronic completion and submission information, click *Visitation Form - Word* in the *Visitation and Residency Supervision Information* section on the *Information for Registered Trainees* web page.

Note: Time spent with an anesthesia, radiology or surgery specialist while visiting an AVDC Diplomate's practice cannot be counted simultaneously toward the AVDC Mentor/Diplomate visitation and the Anesthesia, Radiology or Surgery training requirements.

For Residency Pathway trainees:

A minimum of 78 weeks must be spent on a clinical dental service under the direct supervision of an active Diplomate of the American Veterinary Dental College, except that up to **one third** of the required 78 weeks of assignment to a clinical dental service may be supervised by a Diplomate of the European Veterinary Dental College.

Note: Time spent with an anesthesia, radiology or surgery specialist in a dentistry service cannot be counted simultaneously toward the AVDC Residency Supervision and the Anesthesia, Radiology or Surgery training requirements.