

WRNC's Wants to Help

WRNC is ready to assist NCWRC in implementing an RVS program. WRNC agrees to:

Provide a training course with qualified instructors for safely rehabilitating RVS and provide preliminary screening of attendees (making sure requirements of vaccination, vet and application forms are complete, before allowing registration for the course). This will prevent additional burden of paperwork or cost to fall on NCWRC.

Produce for approval the documents necessary to administer the program including:

- Application form for permit
- Permit application procedure
- Veterinarian support document
- Certificate of rabies immunization requiring signature of applicant and physician or health official administering immunization
- Admission/disposition annual report form
- Caging standards for RVS

Offer to review applications and accompanying documents from each applicant, if it would be of assistance to NCWRC, before they are submitted to NCWRC to help alleviate state employees having to spend unnecessary time processing incomplete applications.

Collect and review annual reports from the permitted RVS rehabilitators and submit either the reports and/or a summary document as directed by NCWRC.

Author and produce a manual to augment the RVS training course. The course content would be submitted to the NCWRC for its approval, prior to instituting this proposal. The manual would include

- Prerequisites for being authorized to handle RVS
- Procedures for effective communicating with the public
- Procedures for the safe handling of RVS
- Restrictions on the care
- Release restrictions
- How to submit an animal for testing
- Record keeping requirements
- Disease information
- Vaccine information
- Who to call for additional information
- Application form, veterinary support form, immunization form and annual reporting form

Post resources and study materials on the WRNC website. This material would be available to applicants to review before taking the training.

WRNC's desire is to help implement the proposed program in a way that ensures the rehabilitators of RVS in North Carolina are professionally trained at no cost to the state.

WRNC's RVS Committee is in place and ready to help. The committee members are:

- Jean Chamberlain
- Elizabeth Hanrahan
- Beth Knapp-Tyner
- Janenie Ledbetter
- Bobby Schopler, DVM