

What is PLAA Partners with Vets

In an effort to help practicing veterinarians become familiar with camelids and their health needs, PLAA has decided to provide a camelid reference package to one vet each year. The reference package includes Lama* Alpaca Veterinary Field Manual by C. Norman Evans, D.V.M. and Medicine and Surgery of South American Camelids by Murray Fowler, D.V.M.. In the past we would take nominations to send vets to GALA's Vet's Only sessions, but that is no longer an option for us, so we decided to give a reference package instead.

The number of llamas and alpacas continues to increase each year but the number of practicing veterinarians familiar with llamas and alpacas and their health needs has lagged far behind. Far too many veterinarians have less knowledge about llama and alpaca medical needs than the owners. PLAA is striving to close the gap.

The winner of the Partners with Vets will be announced at the PLAA Annual Meeting. All nominations will remain in the pool to be used for the following year. The selection committee is comprised of three individuals approved by the PLAA Board of Directors.