





## Information Session



## History

# About ACC



Alamance Community College, established in 1958, is among the first organized community colleges in North Carolina. It signified a change in the landscape of education by offering manufacturing-based programs.







**About ACC** 

# Our Mission



ACC will engage with Alamance County communities in new and innovative ways that deepen existing partnerships and create new ones.



## **STUDENT ENGAGEMENT**

ACC will involve all students in innovative and inclusive formal and informal learning experiences that improve student success, prepare students for jobs, and provide a strong foundation for continued learning.

## You Belong Here.



# **General Information**



## Established in 2025

6<sup>th</sup> Veterinary Medical Technology Program in North Carolina.



## **CVTEA Accreditation**

The ACC VMT Program will seek initial program accreditation via the Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA).



## **USDA Compliance**

The ACC VMT Program will be compliant with USDA and IACUC protocols.





# **Our Instructors**

Each of the Veterinary Medical Technology instructors bring with them a variety of experience, knowledge, and insight. By playing to our strengths, the VMT Program is able to thrive with student success being at the forefront of our educational opportunities.





Mr. Justin Pedley, RVT

Department Head

Veterinary Medical Technology







## **Teaching Facilities Boundless Opportunities**



Alamance Community College is the second NC VMT Program to have a dedicated Large Animal Facility. The VMT Teaching Barn is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed in Spring of 2026.

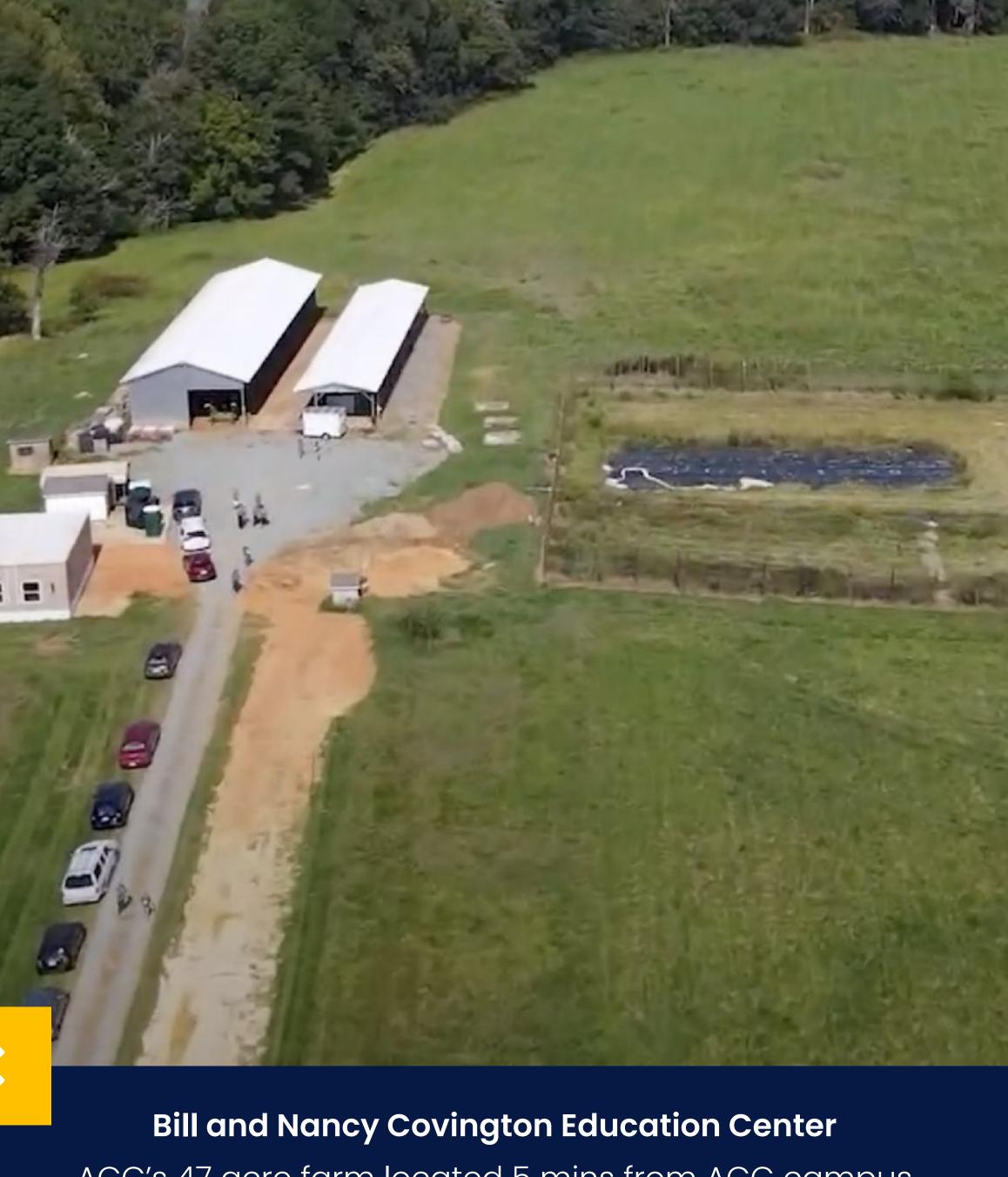
## **PERFECT PARTNERSHIPS**

The ACC VMT Program has partnered with Burlington Animal Shelter for utilization of their on-site dog and cat species and facilities, allowing for opportunities to provide veterinary services to community animals in need

## **DEDICATED SPACES**

In addition to upcoming lab spaces, the VMT Program offers specialized animal and hands-on lab spaces for students who are studying Veterinary Medical Technology.





ACC's 47 acre farm located 5 mins from ACC campus



# Hands-On Experience

### **CAREER-READY GRADUATES**

Due to the extensive hands-on training that VMT Students receive, they will graduate being prepared to immediately enter the workforce

## SEATED COURSES

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The majority of VMT courses are performed in-person and on ACC's Main Campus.

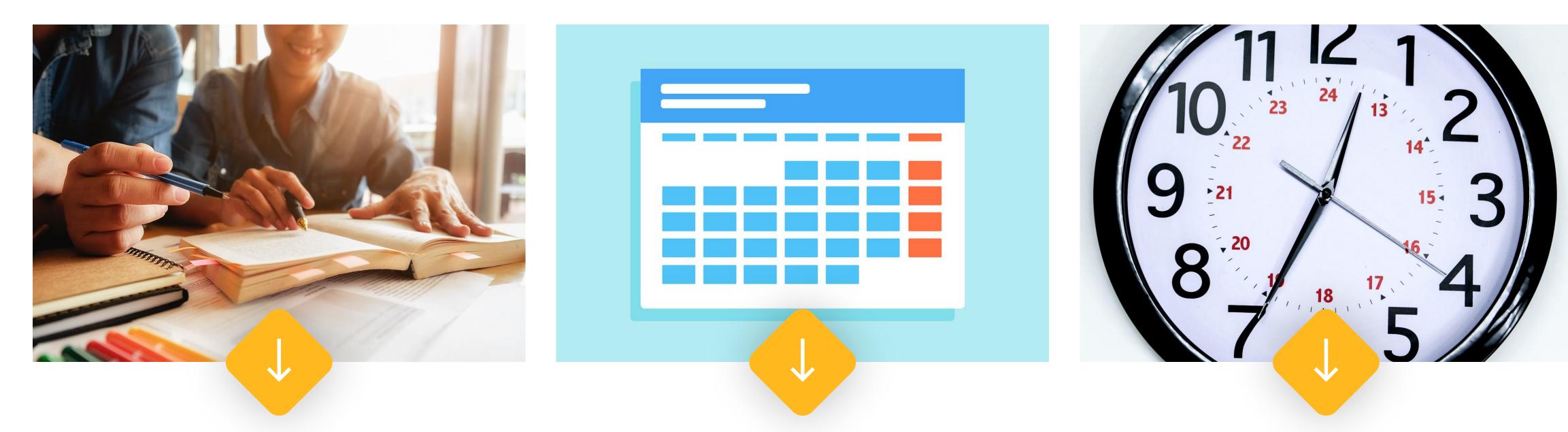
## **EXTENSIVE ANIMAL HANDLING**

Students will gain experience handling dogs, cats, horses, cows, rats, rabbits, and additional exotic and livestock species.





# **Educational Curriculum**



### Purpose

To graduate knowledgeable, skilled, and compassionate Registered Veterinary Technicians (RVTs). VMT courses are only offered one time per<br/>year at certain times of the year. Students can<br/>expect to be on-campus 3-4 days per week.2 year program, total of 5 semesters.<br/>New students admitted each Fall.



## Curriculum designed to exceed North Carolina and CVTEA VMT Program requirements.

## Schedule

Length



# Student Expectations



## **Critical Thinking**

**VTNE** Preparation

**Academic Integrity** 

## Traits

Compassion

Communication

Dedication/Drive

Persistence

## Resourcefulness





# **Dress** Code

## **SCRUBS**



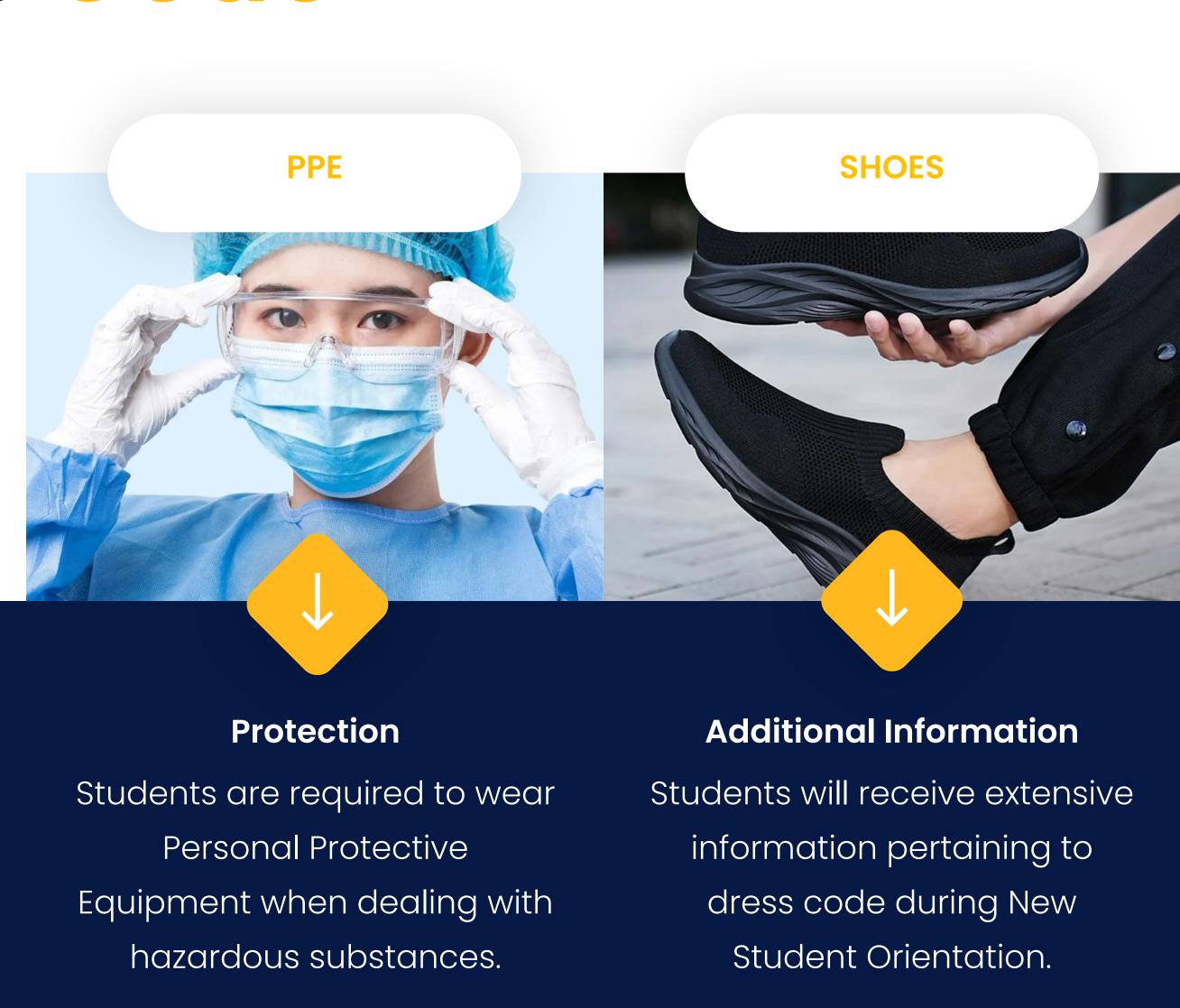
## **LAB COATS**

## Professionalism

Designed to enhance professionalism within the veterinary industry.

## Safety

Ensuring student and animal safety by wearing appropriate attire.





# **Preparing for** Success

## Financially

Apply for Financial Aid and Scholarships. Many students are not able to work full-time while in the VMT Program.

Your goals are within reach, all we need is YOU!

## Transportation

Reliable form or transportation to and from class and externship.

## Mentally

Be sure you are mentally prepared for this program by being ready to learn.

## Time

Plan your time wisely and include time to study, work, drive, attend class, and for home life.





# Learning Outcomes

## **Clinical Practice Skills:**

- Animal Restraint
- Physical Examination
- Injections and IV Catheters
- Venipuncture
- Surgical Assisting
- Anesthetic Monitoring and Induction
- Dental Cleanings

Connecting didactic knowledge with a hands-on approach





What do YOU want to achieve?

Laboratory & Diagnostic Skills:

- Radiology
- Parasitology
- Bloodwork Analysis
- Fecal and Urine Analysis

**Medical Math** 

Pharmacology

Anatomy & Physiology

**Office Practices** 

Diseases



# **Animal Care Duties**

Participation in **Animal Care Duties** is a VMT Program Requirement



With on-site colony animals requiring routine handling and care, students can expect to perform Animal Care Duties during various times of the year. Animal Care duties are scheduled in advance and are performed outside of normal class times.

Students will learn hands-on husbandry experience caring for dogs, cats, horses, cows, rats, rabbits, and various exotic and livestock species.

Additional details pertaining to Animal Care Duties will be discussed during New **Student Orientation.** 

103 +**On-Site Animals** 

21+ **On-Site Species** 



Post Graduation

Graduates from AVMA/CVTEA accredited programs are eligible to sit for the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE).

**PICTURE** 

Registered Veterinary Technicians (RVTs) are often leaders in their field and workplace. These individuals have committed themselves to being lifelong learners and they are required to obtain annual Continuing Education (CE) credits in order to maintain their licensure.



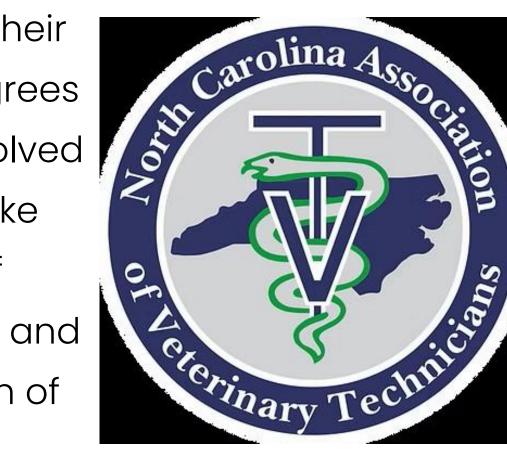


After a graduate passes the VTNE, they are eligible to sit for the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board (NCVTSE) exam to become a Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT).

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Graduates can choose to further their education through specialized degrees and internships. Many RVTs are involved with professional organizations like NAVTA (National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America) and NCAVT (North Carolina Association of Veterinary Technicians).









## WHEREVER YOU WANT TO BE, THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU!



## **Small Animal Medicine**

General Practice, Specialty Practice, Shelter Medicine, Emergency and Critical Care, Anesthesia, Dentistry, Rehabilitation/Therapy

## Large and Exotic Animal Medicine

Large Animal Medicine, Food Animal Medicine, Exotic Animal Medicine, Mixed Animal Practice, Lab Animal Medicine, Zoo Medicine



## **Other Career Opportunities**

Pharmaceuticals, Academia, Research, Radiology, Diagnostic Laboratory, Practice Management

## **AND SO MUCH MORE!**



Veterinary Medical Technology

# Career **Opportunities**

The veterinary field is an ever-growing, ever-changing field. Students who thrive working with their hands, learning and improving their skills, and thinking critically can find a fulfilling career within the veterinary industry as an RVT.





## Alamance Community College

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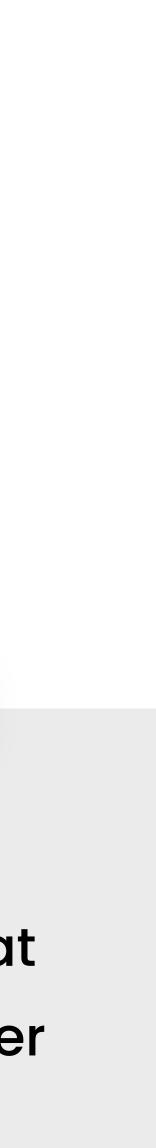






## WHETHER YOU ARE JUST BEGINNING YOU COLLEGE JOURNEY OR YOU ARE RETURNING TO SCHOOL, ALAMANCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE HAS A PLACE FOR YOU!

Student Life at ACC is sweeter with YOU!





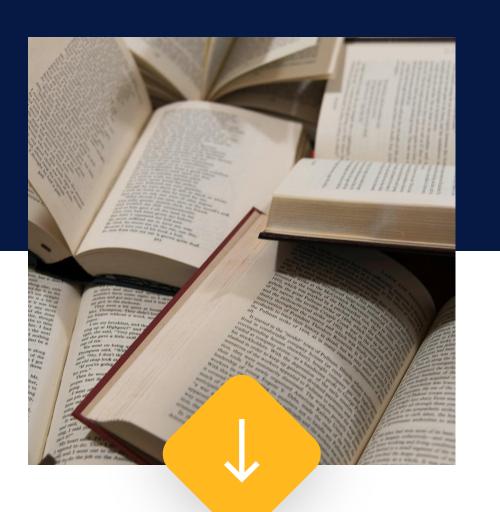


In addition to applying to ACC, students will also need to submit a separate application to be considered for the VMT Program.

**Veterinary Medical Technology** 

# Competitive Admissions

In order to be eligible to apply for the VMT Program, students must meet certain minimum entry criteria. **Detailed VMT application information** can be received by contacting an advisor on the next to last slide.



## **GPA and Previous College** Experience

Students interested in applying for the VMT Program must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 or higher. General Education courses completed before applying to the VMT Program will earn the student additional Competitive Entry Points.

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## Job Shadowing and **ATI TEAS exam**

Interested students will need to complete 40 hours of Job Shadowing and complete the ATI TEAS exam before being eligible to apply.

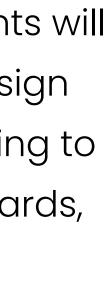


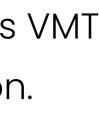
## **Additional Entry** Requirements

Potential VMT Applicants will need to review and sign various forms pertaining to VMT Technical Standards, Rabies Vaccine Requirements, and this VMT Information Session.











# Frequently Asked Questions

How can I find out more information about the VMT Program?

What if I want to work with animals but do not qualify to enter the VMT Program?

Remember you are not on this journey alone! ACC has a team of dedicated specialists that will walk you through everything from the VMT Competitive Entry process to seeing you walk across the graduation stage.

The VMT Program sounds perfect for me, what's next? Additional information about the <u>VMT</u> <u>Program</u> can be found on the ACC website. Here you can reach out to advisors or the VMT Department Head with any questions that you may have.

Students who may not be able to meet the academic rigors of the VMT Program can still obtain a degree from ACC in <u>Animal Care and Management</u>.

Additional information pertaining to applying to the VMT Program can be found on the next slide.





# **Ready To Begin?**

If you are unsure of the next steps that you should take towards applying for the VMT Program, please contact the listed advisor.

> Ms. Mary Brown Health Program Advisor healthsciences@alamancecc.edu 336-506-4246

Be sure to complete the VMT Information Session Form to receive credit for completing this session.

## Advisor

## **VMT** Application

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Have you completed the necessary steps and are ready to submit a VMT Application? <u>Start Here!</u>

## WE CANNOT WAIT TO HAVE YOU JOIN THE VMT FAMILY!



