

## **Suturing – Beyond the Basics**

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### **Objectives**

1. The participant will be able to discuss the principles and management of wound repair.
2. The participant will be able to explain several methods to perform digital blocks anesthesia, pharmacology and possible complications.
3. The participant will be able to perform several advanced suturing techniques including running, corner stitch, buried knot, and horizontal & vertical mattress suturing

### **Outline**

- Charting essentials
- Equipment
  - Syringes
  - Topical anesthetics
  - Long acting agents
- General principles of correct injection
  - Positioning
  - Aspiration
- Forehead Anesthesia
- Mental nerve block
- Special considerations
  - Through and through lacerations in the mouth
  - Dog bite lacerations
  - Nail bed lacerations
- Suturing Techniques
  - Vertical mattress

- Horizontal mattress
- Corner stitch
- Buried knot
- Simple continuous
- Nail bed lacerations
  - Nail bed removal
  - Nail bed suturing
  - Steri-strips
- After care
  - Suture or staple removal
  - Wound care