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Q: Why did you join IVAPM?

A: I joined IVAPM to become more involved in everything pain management related.

Q: What is the importance of pain management in veterinary medicine?

A: In one word: HUGE!

Q: What vet medicine pain management related initiatives are you involved with and/or most proud of accomplishing?

A: I have had the good fortune to be the Executive Secretary for the IVAPM since 2008 and also earned my Certified Veterinary Pain Practitioner certification through IVAPM.

I have had my Surgical Research Anesthetist certification (through the Academy of Surgical Research) since 2007 and joined the Canine Rehabilitation Institute in 2012 where I earned my Certified Canine Rehabilitation Veterinary Nurse (CCRVN) designation.

Additionally, I am the exam chair for the Academy of Physical Rehabilitation Veterinary Technicians (APRVT). I'm also exam chair for the Academy of Laboratory Animal Veterinary Technicians and Nurses (ALAVTN).

Lastly, I was honored to be selected as National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA) Veterinary Technician of the Year 2017.

Q: What passion veterinary projects are you currently involved?

A: I love the work I'm doing with IVAPM, Academy of Physical Rehabilitation Veterinary Technicians (APRVT) and Academy of Laboratory Animal Veterinary Technicians and Nurses (ALAVTN).

Ms. Goldberg is a graduate of Harcum College and the University of Pennsylvania and has been licensed since 1976.