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### **P.E.I. veterinarian appointed president of Canadian Veterinary Medical Association**

OTTAWA — The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) is delighted to announce that P.E.I. veterinarian, Dr. John Drake, has been appointed national president of the CVMA.

“Veterinary medicine is a multi-faceted profession which contributes to animal health and welfare, and the health of the public and environment,” says Dr. Drake. “I’m proud of the valuable contributions veterinarians make to our society and I’m honoured to be president of the national professional association of Canadian veterinarians.”

Dr. Drake has been a CVMA member for 21 years. Originally from Meadow Bank, P.E.I., he currently resides in Stratford, and is one of seven veterinarians at the Charlottetown Veterinary Clinic. Dr. Drake works mainly with cattle and is a member of the Atlantic Bovine Practitioners Association and the American Association of Bovine Practitioners.

Dr. Drake is a Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) accredited veterinarian, and a validator for the Canadian Pork Council’s Canadian Quality Assurance (CQA®) program, and the Dairy Farmers of Canada’s Canadian Quality Milk program.

Dr. Drake is past-president of the Prince Edward Island Veterinary Medical Association, and former chairman of the Atlantic Veterinary College Advisory Council. He has served on CVMA’s National Issues Committee and Membership Services Committee, and has represented PEI on CVMA Council since 2000. He is currently chairman of the Canadian Veterinary Reserve Advisory Board.

The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) is the national body representing and serving the interests of the veterinary profession in Canada. To learn more about the CVMA visit [www.canadianveterinarians.net](http://www.canadianveterinarians.net). For animal health care information and advice from Canadian veterinarians visit [www.animalhealthcare.ca](http://www.animalhealthcare.ca).

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