A. You are invited to attend workshops to enable discussions on review of the veterinary para professions’ rules.

Workshops will be held as follows:

**DATES AND TIMES:**

**Workshop 1:** Thursday: 28 January 2016 at 9:00: Review of the rules for Veterinary Nursing and Veterinary Physiotherapy [this profession will come on board before the end of 2015 or beginning of 2016];

**Workshop 2:** Friday: 29 January 2016 at 9:00: Review of the rules for Animal Health Technicians;

**Workshop 3:** Thursday: 11 February 2016 at 9:00: Review of the rules for the Veterinary Technologists and Laboratory Animal Technologists;

**Venue:** SAVC Offices, 26 Victoria Link Street, Route21 Corporate Park, Nellmapius Drive, Irene, Gauteng.

**RSVP:** Ms Sonia Nkwana at meetings@savc.org.za before or on Friday, 8 January 2016. If you cannot attend please work through your representative on Council.

B. DOCUMENTATION TO FORM THE BASIS OF WORKSHOP DISCUSSIONS

- You are invited to submit your input [including the business plans] on the review of the rules for discussion at the workshop pertaining to your profession.
- The rules can be downloaded from the SAVC’s website at www.savc.org.za on the home page go to the top menu bar and click on “Laws, Policies, Forms” click on “Current rules” and click on the relevant profession on the drop down menu.
- These inputs will be collated before the workshops are held.
- The cut-off date for first initial written input is Monday, 30 November 2015. These must be sent to the Director Legal Affairs at: legaldirector@savc.org.za.

C. THE WAY FORWARD

- Initial input is received before 30 November 2015
- Input will be collated for the respective professions
- Workshops will be held [end date 11 Feb 2016]
- Workshop discussions will be collated
- The Review Committee will review the rules [4 March 2016]
- Input will be invited by SMS and reviewed rules will be placed on the SAVC’s website for a period of approximately two months [end May 2016]
- The Review Committee will finalise the inputs
- A meeting will be held between the Review Committee and representatives of associations [including the representatives serving on Council] for approval by Council [Tuesday, 24 May 2016]
- The rules should be approved by Council by the end of June 2016 for publication in Government Gazette. [A new term of office of Council will commence on 31 July 2016].