

2021-submission



# **Abbreviations**

**CPD** Continuing Professional Development

**DALRRD** Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural

Development

**Etc.** Further, similar items are included

IT Information Technology

SAVC South African Veterinary Council SOPs Standard Operating Procedures

## SAVC Strategic Implementation Plan [October 2019 – June 2022]

VISION

<u>The</u> custodian of quality veterinary standards.

PURPOSE

Regulating veterinary and paraveterinary professions in South Africa while determining scientific and ethical standards of professional conduct and education.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- 1. Employee excellence
- 2. Exceptional customer experience
- 3. Regular benchmarking

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | KEY PERFORMANCE                                                                                                                                             | AREAS                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Improve the stories communication with registrees by March 2021.  Better registree experience through relevant, quality information & stories sharing through various communication channels by December 2021. |                                                                                                                                                             | Deliver improved veterinary and para-veterinary professions' value appreciation by July 2022.                                                              | Enable a range of electronic capabilities and employ technology effectively @ SAVC including video conferencing, automated CPD logging, and electronic Council elections by July 2022. |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | STRATEGIC GOALS - this will I                                                                                                                               | be successful if?                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| Enhance image of the animal health care industry. Improve perception of the SAVC.                                                                                                                              | Improve registree engagement. Grow registree numbers by registering qualified professionals. Ensure efficient internal and external operational compliance. | Ensure that all professions in the veterinary industry are equally featured and supported. (Campaigning). Increase credibility of the veterinary industry. | Increase SAVC team performance. Improve registree experience.                                                                                                                          |  |

| MEASUREMENTS OF SUCCESS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Convey quarterly communication audits.   Gather and publish stories. Review SAVC's target audience profile. Adjust channels used to reflect story angle. Enhance internal culture of good stories. Improve media relations. Improve government relations. | Conduct registree engagement surveys. Track enquiries & complaints.  MAIN ACTIVITIES   Improve service and turnaround time on feedback of queries. Improve internal operational communication. Adopt a team-oriented approach rather than siloapproach across SAVC divisions. Develop a fit for purpose SAVC administration team. Develop fit for purpose internal processes. Improve stakeholder engagement. Improve government relations. | Conduct surveys for all professions. Track participation of the veterinary professions in SAVC related activities.  Strengthen the role of the veterinary and para-veterinary professions.  Create awareness of all veterinary and para-veterinary professions.  Include all veterinary and para-veterinary professions in campaigns and information dissemination.  Improve media relations.  Improve government relations. | Increase level of digital operations / presence.  Improve video conferencing technologies. Automate Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points logging. Implement an electronic voting system for electronic elections. Enhance the current IT system. Train all employees as the IT system is |  |  |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | TAC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | CTICS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | enhanced.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |  |  |

## 1. Improve the stories communication with registrees

| Activities<br>(Output)      | Measures                                        | Deadline   | Responsible                             | Outcomes                                            | Success indicator               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Gather and publish stories. | Each SAVC division to submit a story quarterly. | Quarterly. | Registrar<br>/Communications<br>Company | Share information about the SAVC and its structures | Improve perception of the SAVC. |

|                                               |                                                                                                                             |                 | (in collaboration with managers).                                        | thereby creating<br>Public<br>Awareness.                                                                                                        |                   |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Review SAVC's target audience profile.        | Conduct detailed analysis.                                                                                                  | Quarterly.      | Director: Registrations<br>/ Communications<br>Company.                  | Broaden target<br>audience,<br>create active<br>engagement<br>methods and<br>improve visibility<br>of the SAVC on<br>social media<br>platforms. |                   |
| Adjust channels used to reflect story angles. | Conduct communication training sessions with the SAVC Admin team.                                                           | Quarterly.      | Registrar /Communications Company/Technical Manager: Systems and Design. | Place emphasis<br>on messages                                                                                                                   |                   |
|                                               | Publish bi-monthly news stories and developments within the veterinary and para-veterinary professions on social platforms. | Bi-<br>Monthly. | Communications Company/Executive Committee/Registrar.                    | with positive, celebratory angles and testimonials to improve the SAVC's image.                                                                 |                   |
| Create an internal culture of good stories.   | Develop an employee recognition and incentive system.                                                                       | Quarterly.      | Registrar /HR/Communications Company (in collaboration with managers).   | Improve<br>employee<br>satisfaction.                                                                                                            | Retain employees. |

| Initiate Media<br>Relations<br>Management. | Establish monthly coverage over dedicated media channels with veterinary and para-veterinary related news. | On-going,<br>to be<br>finalised<br>by July<br>2022. | Communications<br>Company/Registrar. | Create a positive Advertising Value Equivalency (AVE). | Improve the perception of the SAVC. |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|

#### 2. Better registree/stakeholder experience through relevant, quality information & good stories **Activities** Responsible Outcomes Success indicator **Deadline** Measures (Output) Improve service and Ideally – adopt a maximum of 5 On-going, SAVC Managers. turnaround time of working days turnaround time on to be finalised queries, unless stated otherwise. feedback on queries. by July 2022. Establish a high Improve Improve internal Review internal protocols, update Communications On-going, quality and time registree/stakeholder operational where necessary. to be Company/Registrar satisfaction. efficient service communication. finalised (in collaboration with to registrees and by July managers). stakeholders. 2022. Publish an infographic organogram on March Communications the website, outlining each SAVC 2021. Company/Registrar. division's mandate and functions. Adopt a SAVC team-Enhance the understanding of each On-going, Establish a oriented approach division's role within the SAVC; and to be Establish employee trained and rather than siloestablish a value chain in the SAVC finalised satisfaction. approach across service delivery offering. by July developed team. divisions. 2022.

| Develop a fit for                  | Educate and update employees about: Acts, regulations, rules, policies, guidelines and SOPs.  Review the division structure in line | On-going,                     |                                       |                                                                   | Establish an efficient and                                             |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| purpose SAVC team.                 | with organisational needs and succession planning.                                                                                  | finalised<br>by July<br>2022. | Registrar (in collaboration with      |                                                                   | effective employee complement.                                         |
|                                    | Organise monthly training of staff to build and enforce a service-oriented culture.                                                 | t to On-going,                | managers).                            |                                                                   | Create a customer orientated culture that increases engagement levels. |
| Develop fit for purpose processes. | Review all contact information on SAVC database.                                                                                    | June 2021.                    |                                       | Ensure smooth interaction with SAVC with quick response times.    | Limit stakeholder frustrations due to interaction with the SAVC.       |
| Improve stakeholder engagements.   | Expand student grassroots liaison.                                                                                                  | July 2021.                    |                                       | Monitor,<br>evaluate and                                          | Ensure healthy stakeholder relations.                                  |
|                                    | Co-participation at congresses/speaking engagements (member of Council and administration representative to attend).                | On-going.                     |                                       | improve response<br>rate, retention<br>rate and<br>feedback flow. |                                                                        |
| Improve government relations.      | Partner with DALRRD on key veterinary and para-veterinary issues.                                                                   | March 2022.                   | Communications<br>Company/ Registrar. | 1                                                                 | Ensure strengthened relations and partnering.                          |

| 3. Deliver improved veterinary and para-veterinary professions value appreciation |                          |             |             |          |                   |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------------------|--|
| Activities<br>(Output)                                                            | Measures                 | Deadline    | Responsible | Outcomes | Success indicator |  |
| Strengthen the role of                                                            | Establish a veterinary   | March 2021. |             |          |                   |  |
| the veterinary and                                                                | industry professions map |             |             |          |                   |  |

| para-veterinary<br>professions. | (detailed service delivery, etc.).  Share professions map with internal & external stakeholders. | November 2021.            | Registrar<br>/Communications<br>Company. | Increase veterinary professions' engagement levels                                | Establish growth in the veterinary professions industry.                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 | Enforce the understanding of each profession through messages via communication channels.        | November<br>2021.         |                                          | and make them feel valued in their specific fields.                               |                                                                         |
| Improve media relations.        | Develop targeted media messages through communication channels on a monthly basis.               | Monthly.                  |                                          | Track and monitor social media responses with Advertising Value Equivalent (AVE). | Create increased internal and external veterinary profession awareness. |
|                                 | Publish professions specific communication.                                                      | On-going (project based). |                                          |                                                                                   |                                                                         |

|                                      | 4. Enable a range of electronic capabilities & employ technology effectively |            |                                                          |                                                         |                                        |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--|--|
| Activities<br>(Output)               | Measures                                                                     | Deadline   | Responsible                                              | Outcomes                                                | Success indicator                      |  |  |
| Enhance video conferencing system.   | Build additional platforms onto existing system.                             | Dec 2021.  | Registrar / Technical<br>Manager: Systems and<br>Design. | Establish improved virtual connectivity.                | Ensure efficient virtual performance.  |  |  |
| Automate CPD points logging process. | Finalize IT developments.                                                    | July 2022. | Registrar /Technical<br>Manager: Systems and<br>Design.  | Maintain and enhance knowledge, skills and competencies | Create satisfied registree experience. |  |  |

|                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                               |                                                                           | to deliver a professional service.                |                                                          |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Enable electronic elections.     | Regulations:  a) Draft amendments to the election regulations. b) Council to approve amended election regulations. c) Submit amended regulations to Minister of DALRRD for approval. d) Publish the amendments to the regulations in the Government Gazette. | January<br>2022.                              | Director: Legal Services<br>and Technical Manager:<br>Systems and Design. | Test and implement an electronic election system. | Publish regulations in the Government Gazette.           |
| Develop electronic voting system | Source system and integrate into current system.                                                                                                                                                                                                             | January<br>2022.                              | Registrar/Technical<br>Manager: Systems and<br>Design/Director: Finance.  | Test and implement an electronic voting system.   | Increase election participation rate.                    |
| Enhance current IT system        | Implement a fully electronic record keeping system.                                                                                                                                                                                                          | On-going, to<br>be finalised<br>by July 2022. |                                                                           | Implement an adequate resourced                   | Align IT system with global best practices, resulting in |

|                               | Implement remote access to the server for the SAVC administration team.                                          | On-going, to<br>be finalised<br>by July 2022. | Registrar/Technical<br>Manager: Systems and<br>Design / Director:<br>Finance. | system that is fit for purpose and ensure security and integrity of data. | efficient and effective service delivery, to ensure satisfied registrees. |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                               | Implement digitalised/electronic application form system.                                                        | On-going, to<br>be finalised<br>by July 2022. |                                                                               |                                                                           |                                                                           |
|                               | Implement and adopt a debit order system to allow for instalment payments of SAVC registration maintenance fees. | On-going, to<br>be finalised<br>by July 2022. |                                                                               |                                                                           |                                                                           |
| Train staff on the IT system. | Provide internal SOPs, manuals and training to ensure understanding and consistent application.                  | On-going.                                     | Registrar/Technical<br>Manager: Systems and<br>Design.                        | Develop a fully operational IT system and train SAVC employees.           | Increase SAVC employee productivity and performance.                      |

#### **SAVC Administration divisions:**

Education
Finance
Legal
Registration
Systems and design