



COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Chad R. Brown, DVM, Executive Director of Hospital Operations and Clinical Associate Professor, College of Veterinary Medicine, Iowa State University

Interview: Arrive on Sunday, Feb 15 through Tuesday, Feb 17

Campus Forum: Monday, Feb 16, 3:30 – 4:30 PM, Room 148, Robert J. Panciera Education Center and via Zoom (link will be included in posted itinerary)

Reception: Immediately following in foyer

Dr. Chad Brown serves as Executive Director of Hospital Operations at Iowa State University's Lloyd Veterinary Medical Center (LVMC), one of the nation's largest and most complex academic veterinary teaching hospitals. In this role, he provides executive leadership for clinical operations spanning more than 25 specialty service lines and over 280 faculty and staff, with responsibility for hospital strategy, financial performance, workforce alignment, and operational execution.

Dr. Brown currently serves as hospital director during a period of significant capital growth at LVMC, including a \$14.1 million, 17,000-square-foot equine hospital expansion and the development of a \$7.5 million Pet Cancer Clinic serving more than 5,000 oncology cases annually. His leadership emphasizes aligning infrastructure investment with clinical excellence, educational value, financial sustainability, and institutional mission—experience directly relevant to large-scale academic hospital transformation.

Raised in rural Appalachia, Dr. Brown earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Purdue University and returned to practice mixed-animal medicine across eastern Kentucky, southern Ohio, and West Virginia. Over more than a decade, he built and operated a successful private practice providing comprehensive care to companion animals, equine patients, and food-animal producers. During this period, he also founded and operated MT Global, LLC, a multi-platform e-commerce business for more than 15 years, strengthening his understanding of business operations, financial management, and organizational scaling—experience that continues to inform his academic and hospital leadership.

Following the sale of his practice in 2015, Dr. Brown observed the loss of large-animal veterinary coverage in the region—an experience that shaped his long-term commitment to workforce development and rural veterinary access. At the same time, his growing involvement in teaching and mentorship during his practice years revealed a passion for education that would ultimately define his career trajectory.

Dr. Brown founded and led Mountwest Community and Technical College's veterinary technology program, taking it from initial concept through full AVMA accreditation. He later served as Director of Veterinary Nursing Programs at Purdue University, where he oversaw nationally recognized, AVMA-accredited on-campus and distance-learning programs. Under his leadership, enrollment increased by more than 75 percent, curricula were modernized to reflect evolving clinical practice needs, and new academic partnerships expanded access to veterinary education across 18 countries.

Throughout his career, Dr. Brown has operated at the intersection of clinical care, education, infrastructure, and organizational leadership. His experience spans private practice ownership, entrepreneurial business development, program accreditation, academic administration, hospital finance, capital planning, and stakeholder engagement across academia, industry, and rural communities.

Dr. Brown's leadership is grounded in a commitment to ethical practice, accountability, and service to agriculture and rural constituencies. He believes leaders are ultimately responsible for outcomes and that effective leadership requires supporting, empowering, and trusting the people closest to the work. He is guided by the principle that land-grant veterinary colleges play a critical role in advancing animal health, supporting producers, and preparing graduates for meaningful, sustainable careers in veterinary medicine.