



Heidi Hottinger, DVM, DACVS

Surgery & Orthopedics



Dr. Heidi Hottinger earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from The Ohio State University School of Veterinary Medicine in 1990. Following veterinary school, she completed an internship in small animal medicine and surgery at the Animal Medical Center in New York City. Dr. Hottinger then pursued a residency in small animal surgery at Michigan State University, becoming board-certified by the American College of Veterinary Surgeons in 1996.

After completing her residency, Dr. Hottinger returned to the Animal Medical Center to join the clinical faculty in soft tissue surgery. Later that year, she moved to Houston to practice soft tissue and oncologic surgery at Gulf Coast Veterinary Specialists. Dr. Hottinger played a pivotal role in developing the highly regarded surgical internship program at GCVS and continues to serve as a program director and mentor. In addition to training interns, she teaches visiting veterinarians and veterinary students, and lectures both nationally and internationally. In recognition of her outstanding contributions to education, Dr. Hottinger was honored as the Small Animal Instructor of the Year by the WVC in 2013.

An active contributor to veterinary research, Dr. Hottinger has authored and co-authored numerous scientific papers that have advanced the field. Outside of her professional work, she enjoys spending time with her husband, Mike, and their two dogs, Tucker and Farley. Dr. Hottinger is an avid equestrian and enjoys gardening and cycling.