

ISVPS

International School
of Veterinary
Postgraduate
Studies

**Veterinary Qualifications
Recognised Worldwide**



About ISVPS

ISVPS is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to providing the entire veterinary team with high quality, achievable qualifications that are recognised worldwide.



The ISVPS Team

The ISVPS team comprises a board of directors, examination coordinators and an academic board. Many of our directors are veterinary diplomates themselves with extensive clinical and teaching experience. Our examination coordinators provide support and advice throughout your assessment and examination process. The academic board comprises an examination and accreditation committee. This ISVPS team approach ensures that our assessment and examination methods are continually assessed and scrutinised to achieve the highest standards, and to ensure they remain relatable to busy clinical practice and the challenges that brings. All of our training providers' courses are accredited by us to ensure that you receive the highest standards of CPD provision at all times.



Our aims

To provide recognition for the commitment and hard work that each Veterinary Surgeon and Veterinary Nurse dedicates to further enhance their knowledge in their respective areas of interest by awarding a veterinary qualification. This is achieved through a combination of didactic and practical tuition and reflective learning without taking excessive time away from their busy clinical practice.

Partners



Harper Adams University

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ISVPS collaborates with Harper Adams University (HAU) to allow veterinary surgeons enrolling on a General Practitioner Certificate (GPCert) examination the opportunity to gain both a GPCert and a University awarded Postgraduate Certificate (PgC).

Successful PgC candidates will gain 60 transferrable credits at a Masters level 7. These credits come under the Quality Assurance Agency standard and are widely recognised across Europe.



Improve International

Improve International was established in 1998 by a group of veterinary surgeons from across the UK. They run Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for veterinary professionals to help develop skills and knowledge required in practice. They are the leading pioneers of modular CPD training, which leads to a Postgraduate Certificate (PgC). They have a large bank of world-class speakers who deliver the academic syllabus. Improve International is the largest private provider of veterinary CPD in Europe. They operate in over 20 countries worldwide with their main delivery offices in the UK, Portugal and Australia.



Veterinary Surgeons

General Practitioner Certificates (GPCerts) leading to Postgraduate Certificates (PgC)

The ISVPS GPCert is a middle-tier qualification awarded to veterinary surgeons who successfully pass our assessments following the completion of a dedicated modular training programme accredited by us. This ensures that you are provided with the highest quality of appropriate practical and clinically relevant training to prepare you for undertaking the GPCert assessments.

The General Practitioner Certificate is awarded in recognition of the additional time dedicated to furthering your knowledge and passion and indicates that you have achieved a deeper and more thorough understanding in your area of interest which can then be applied to general practice.

GPCerts

Small Animal Medicine

Small Animal Surgery

Small Animal Cardiology

Dermatology

Endoscopy &
Endosurgery*

Exotic Animal Practice

Feline Practice

Ophthalmology

Diagnostic Imaging

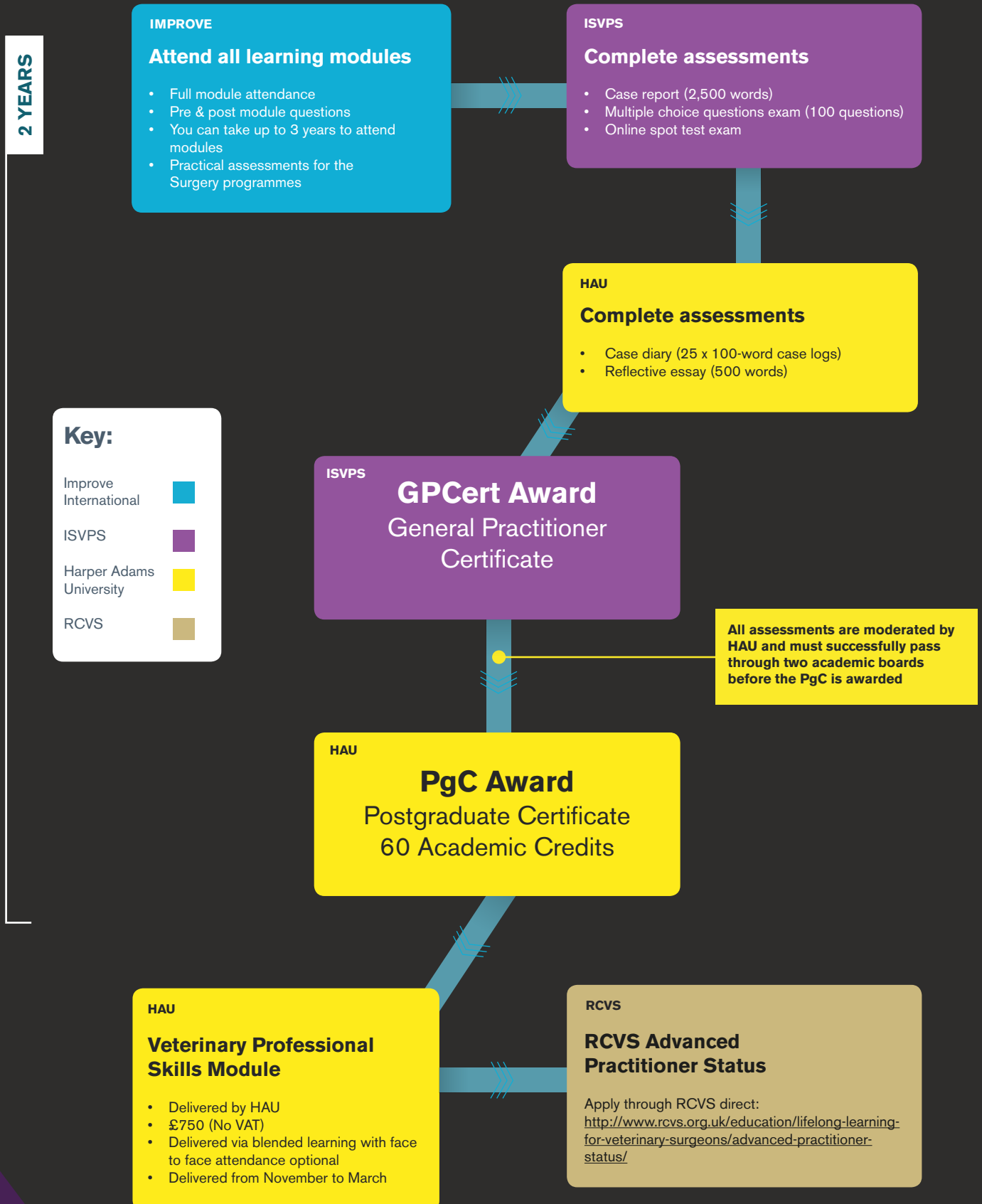
Emergency Medicine
& Surgery

Dentistry & Oral Surgery**

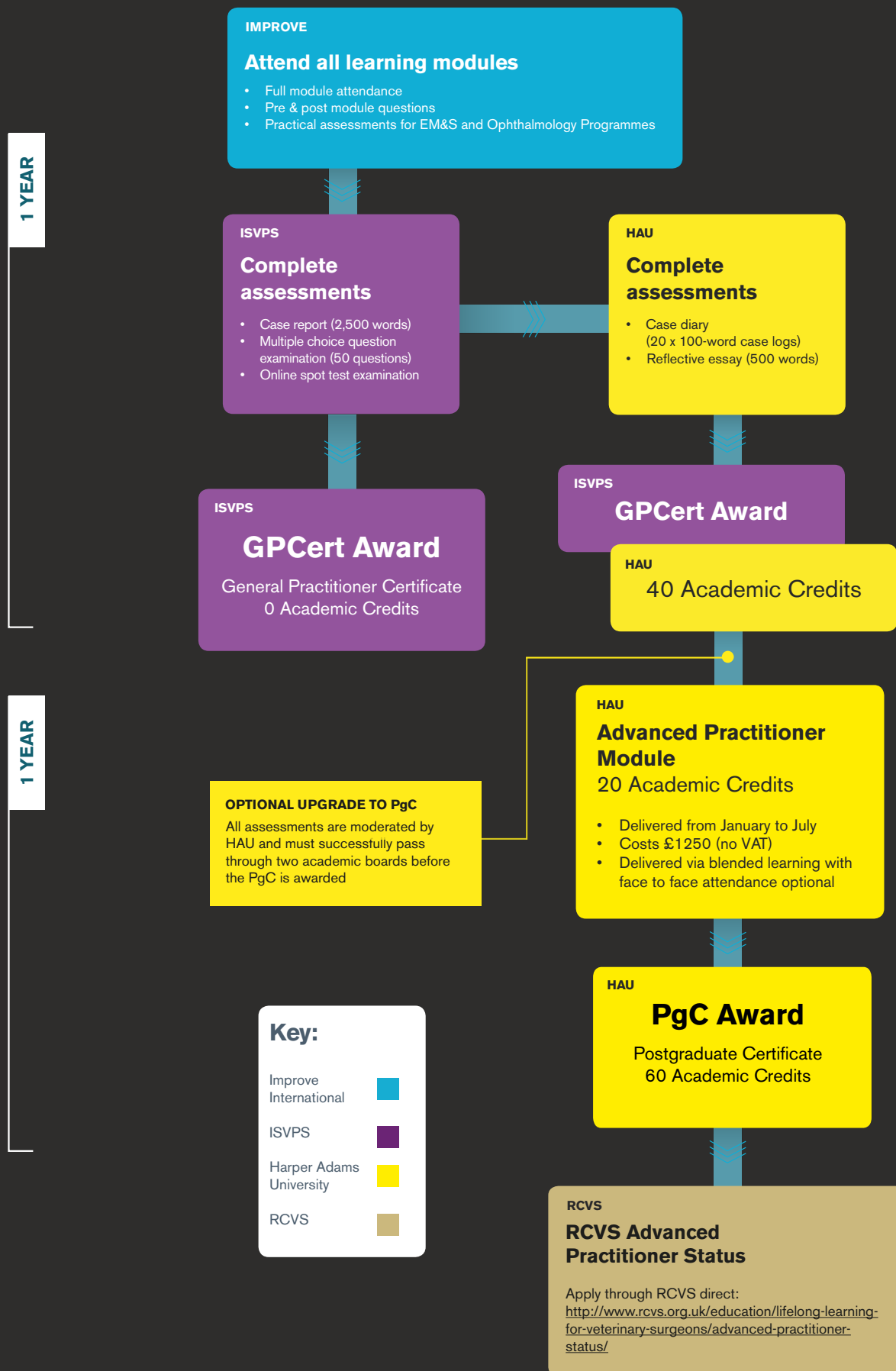
*A PgC can be awarded but there is no designation with the RCVS for Advanced Practitioner status.

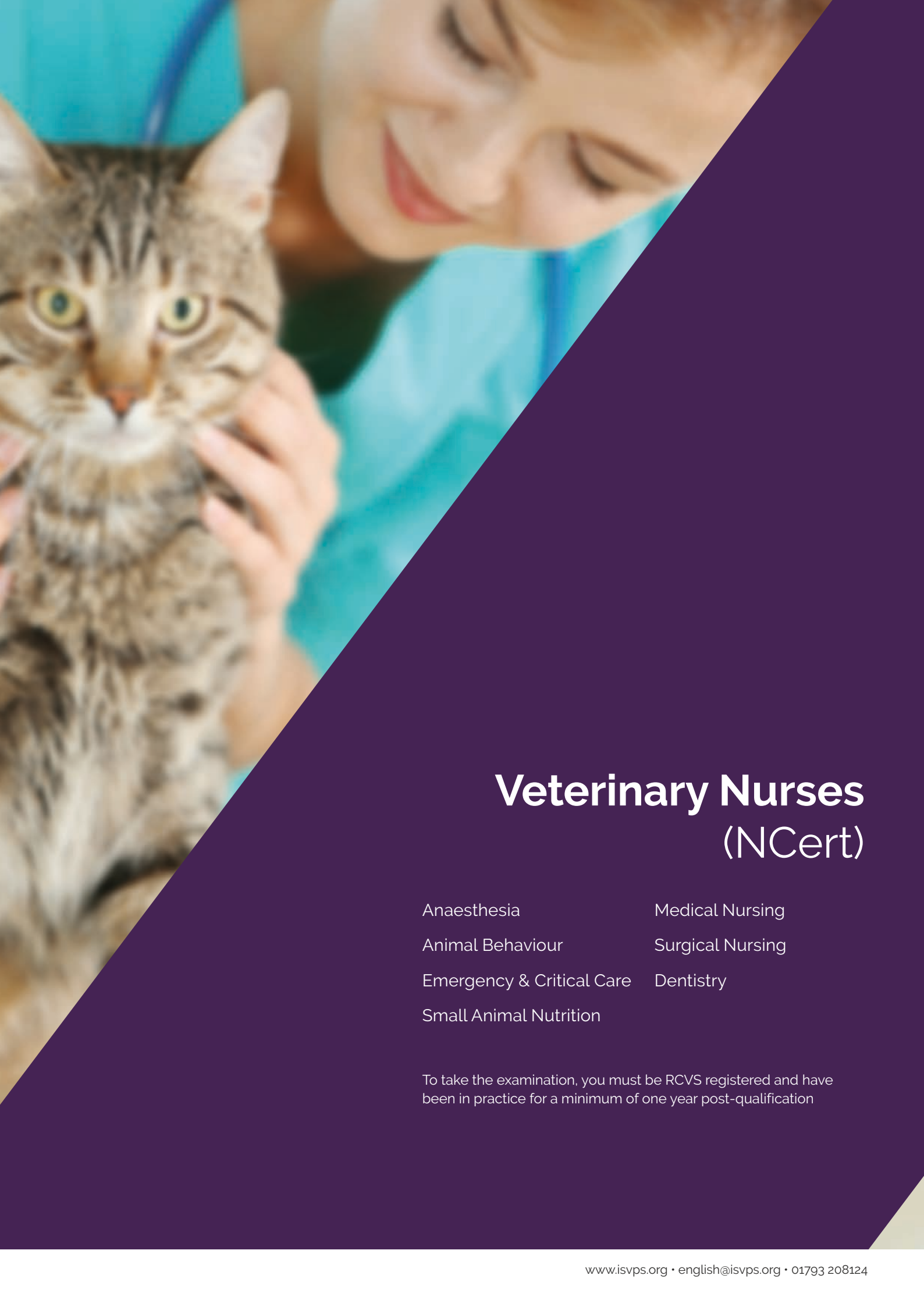
**Currently, Dentistry and Oral Surgery is pending registration with the RCVS as a designated Advanced Practitioner Status subject.

SMALL ANIMAL MEDICINE AND SMALL ANIMAL SURGERY PgC ROUTE



CLINICAL PgC ROUTE





Veterinary Nurses (NCert)

Anaesthesia

Animal Behaviour

Emergency & Critical Care

Small Animal Nutrition

Medical Nursing

Surgical Nursing

Dentistry

To take the examination, you must be RCVS registered and have been in practice for a minimum of one year post-qualification

NURSE CERTIFICATES NCert ROUTE

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Attend all learning modules

- Full module attendance
- Pre & post module questions
- You can take up to three years to attend modules
- Attend practical day for Emergency & Critical Care programme

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Small Animal Nutrition

- Case studies (4 x 500 words)
- Multiple choice question online exam (25 MCQs)
- Online practical spot test exam

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Anaesthesia, Dentistry, Medical Nursing & Surgical Nursing

- Clinical audit (2,500 words)
- Multiple choice question online exam (25 MCQs)
- Online practical spot test exam

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Animal Behaviour

- Stress audit
- Multiple choice question online exam (25 MCQs)
- Online practical spot test exam

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Emergency and Critical Care Nursing

- Case report (1,500 – 2,000 words)
- Case studies (4 x 500 words)
- Multiple choice question online exam (25 MCQs)

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NCert award Nurses Certificate



General Practitioner Advanced Certificates (GPAdvCert)

The GPAdvCert is for veterinary professionals who wish to advance their knowledge and practical skills, progress their academic qualifications and gain recognition in their field.

These are advanced level 'next-step' programmes for veterinary professionals who have already completed their General Practitioner Certificate (GPCert) or Postgraduate Certificate (PgC), accredited by the International School of Veterinary Postgraduate Studies (ISVPS) and validated by Harper Adams University (HAU). There are opportunities to join these programmes if you have extensive experience or hold an equivalent qualification from another provider.

GPAdvCerts

Small Animal Medicine

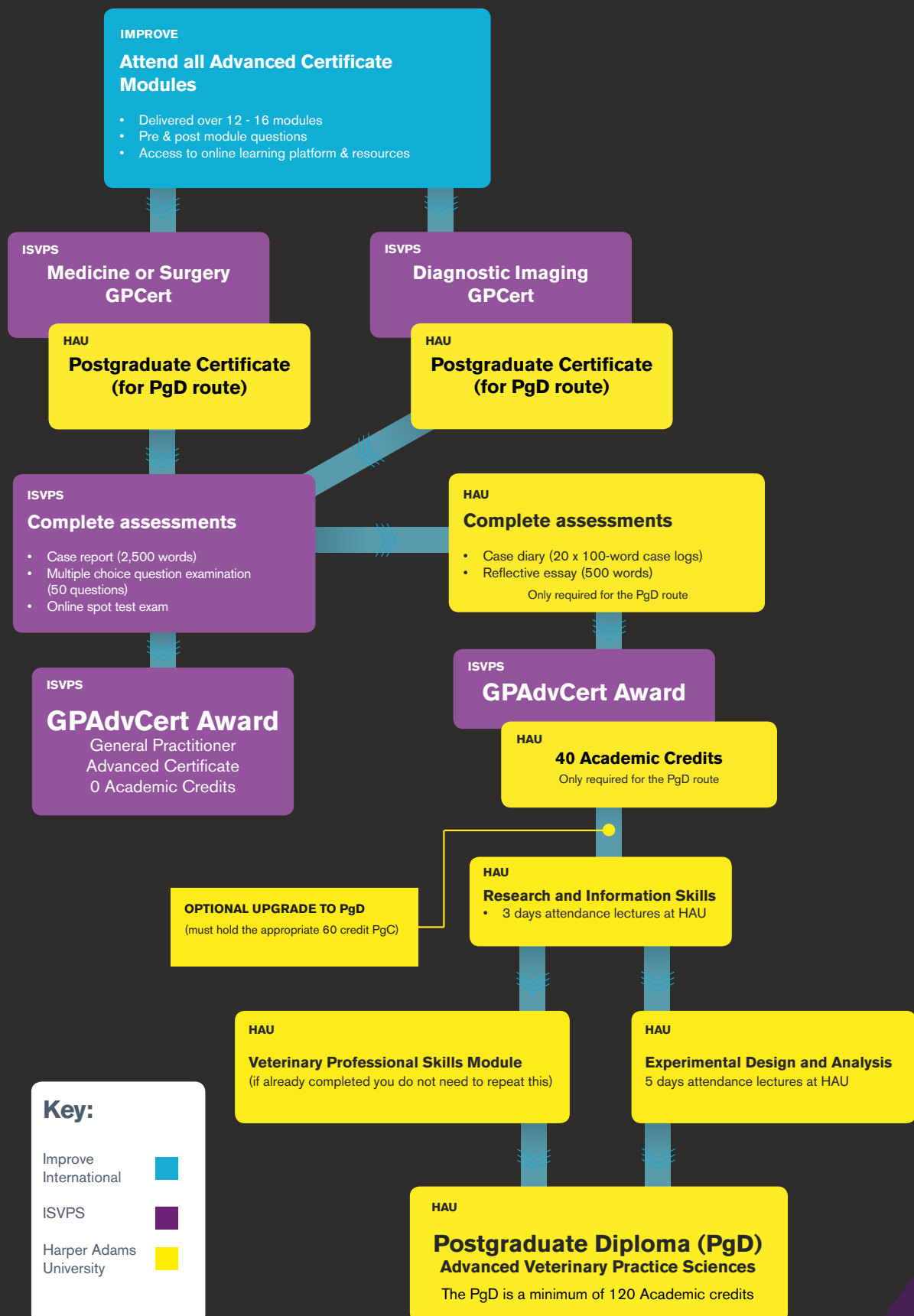
Small Animal Orthopaedic
Surgery

Small Animal Soft Tissue
Surgery

Diagnostic Imaging
(Computed Tomography)

GENERAL PRACTITIONER ADVANCED CERTIFICATE ROUTE

1-2 YEARS



Why ISVPS?



**Qualifications
recognised globally**



**Paving the way in
assessment methods**



**4300 vets and vet nurses
have achieved a recognised
qualification**



**Italy, Spain, Portugal, Mexico,
China, Japan, France, Belgium, UK,
Scandinavia, Cyprus, Germany, Austria,
Switzerland, Australia, USA, Korea**



Dedicated support team

- No negative marking
- Assessment methods designed for candidates to demonstrate the breadth of their experience, knowledge, understanding and skill
- Practical sessions to assess technical skill in surgical procedures
- Catering for a variety of assessment needs candidates may have in a professional and discreet manner

Testimonials

"I completed my GPCertSAS in October 2017. Those two years helped me to enhance my surgical skills and to boost my confidence in theatre. They also result in a wider range of opportunities for higher quality veterinary positions nationwide. Access to practical material and active participation within the theoretical modules was great. I would definitely do it again!"

"It has greatly helped me improve my knowledge and my CV, and it was instrumental in achieving my current job position."

"I feel medically updated. I have confidence when categorising problems, examining patients and getting to a diagnosis. Work is more rewarding, and I feel I have had a steady progression over the last three years."



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