

### Three-day immersive training for private NABSnet veterinarians working in northern Australia's cattle sector

- Funding has been secured this year to send 8 private veterinarians in the NABSnet network to undertake a 3-day Field Workshop over 3 separate training cohorts with Dr Tristan Jubb in Bendigo between September to November 2026.
- The course will use sheep as a practical and effective teaching model for cattle disease investigations due to anatomical and pathological similarities, and the abundant case material available around Bendigo.
- Participants will gain hands-on experience in the field with the learning objectives covering:
  - ✓ Refinement of practical skills in field autopsy and specimen collection.
  - ✓ Strengthened understanding of disease investigation frameworks.
  - ✓ Practice of humane euthanasia using captive bolts, jabsticks, and other methods.
  - ✓ Improved efficiency and safety in equipment use, including knife sharpening.
  - ✓ Building confidence in packaging and dispatching diagnostic samples.
  - ✓ Building competence in mentoring others in these skills.

### What's offered to the participating private NABSnet veterinarian

- a) All training costs for each participant for the full 3 day workshop.
- b) Travel subsidy of \$2,200 to contribute to travel to Bendigo and accommodation. This will be paid upon submission of a post training report.

### Eligibility Criteria

To be selected to attend the training opportunity, NABSnet private vets must meet the following:

- a) Be an active network member assessed through submissions to either SDI and/or Skin survey, and
- b) Have been a participant of other NABSnet events such as Masterclasses in the last 3 years, and
- c) Willing to mentoring other vets in the network, including being part of presenting at the next Masterclass in 2027.

### How to apply

- **Complete the Expressions of Interest (EOI) Application form and send to [NABS@aff.gov.au](mailto:NABS@aff.gov.au)**

Closing date for EOI is the 8<sup>th</sup> of May

You will be notified by end of May 2026 if your application is successful. For further information please contact:

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# NABSnet SDI Skills+ 3 day Field Workshop



## Expression of Interest Application Form

Name: .....

Practice: .....

State or Territory:      Western Australia       Northern Territory       Queensland

Contact number: .....

Email: .....

**Indicate which dates you are available to attend the training with Dr Tristan Jubb in Bendigo (note travel will be required on the Sunday preceding the listed dates below).**

14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September 2026       12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> October 2026       16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2026

**Please describe what you believe you could contribute to the mentoring of other NABSnet veterinarians using this training opportunity and your own clinical experience in northern Australia? (Max 500 words)**

**I understand that if I am successful in my application:**

- I am responsible for the sourcing of flights, accommodation, meals and getting to Bendigo once the training dates are provided.
- I will be required to submit within 1 month of returning, a short Post-Training Report on my experience as well as providing program feedback (including relevant photographs) to [NABS@aff.gov.au](mailto:NABS@aff.gov.au) Attn: NABSnet SDI Skills+. (Post-Training Report template will be provided).
- I understand that payment of the travel subsidy (\$2,200) will be made when my Post-Training Report is accepted by the NABSnet Steering Committee and I will need to invoice my State or Territory Department of Agriculture directly.

Signature: .....

Date: .....

