



**NATIONAL ANIMAL**  
CARE & CONTROL ASSOCIATION

# READY FOR CAREER GROWTH?

Take the next step in your professional career in Animal Care and Control conveniently and affordably.



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## OUR MISSION

The National Animal Care and Control Association (NACA) is the leading professional association committed to growing the level of professionalism in the field on Animal Care and Control.

As part of our mission, we are committed to offering working Animal Care professionals the education they need to grow in fulfilling, mission-driven careers that serve both their communities and the animals they care about.

## ONLINE TRAINING

### Designed for the Busy Working Professional

Whether you are new in the field or you're ready to take the next step in your career, consider investing in your future by earning your NACA ACO I Training and Certification.

Your online ACO I Training and Certification Course is filled with more than 20 hours of instruction, activities and exercises designed to help you grow and succeed in your role.



#### EASY TO USE

Convenient and Affordable Training on your own schedule and without the need to travel.



#### PROFESSIONAL

Taught by experienced investigators, prosecutors, law enforcement officers, and Animal Control Professionals.



#### PRACTICAL

Courses consist of real-world info important for any new ACO.



“ Since it is an online program, it can be incorporated into your on-boarding field training process and used immediately to meet your agency’s needs on-demand.

The NACA Certification is designed specifically for working adults in the Animal Care/Control profession.

Every lesson in the course has been reviewed by NACA’s training committee consisting of

resident experts who are committed to enhancing and growing our profession. So when you go through the lessons, you know you’re hearing expert advice from people you can trust.



## 3 IMPORTANT REASONS FOR NACA CERTIFICATION

### COMPLIMENTS LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

If your state already has a state-issued certification requirement, a NACA Certification is a nice complement to your local requirements, and could serve as **fulfillment of CEU requirements.**

### BUILDS ON GROWTH

Even if your state does not require any form of certification, a NACA Certification can provide you a **foundation of knowledge** – and “fill in the gaps.”

### PROFESSIONAL INVESTMENT

If you’re building your resume in preparation for future career advancement, a NACA Certification can be **proof that you are committed to growing** in your professional skills and knowledge.



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Understanding  
"The Link"



Basic Investigations, Part I



Basic Investigations,  
Part II



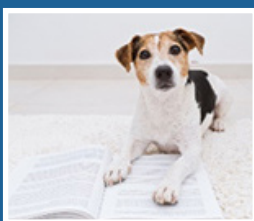
Animal Health: Disease  
Recognition, Control and  
Prevention



Dangerous Dogs, Part I



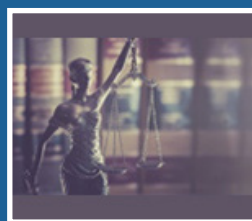
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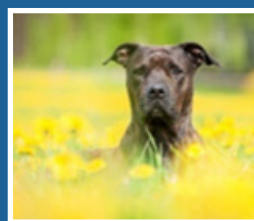
Professionalism  
and Ethics



First Aid for the Animal  
Care Professional



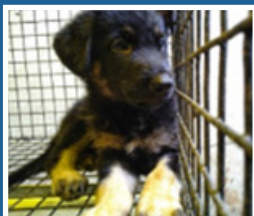
ACO Civil Liability



Breed Identification  
and Behavior



Dog and Cat Intake  
Procedures: Meeting the  
Needs of Animals



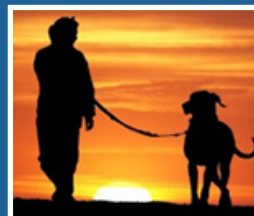
Animal Handling,  
Perception and Safety



Basic Nutrition of  
Common Animals



Maintaining a Clean  
and Disease  
Resistant Shelter



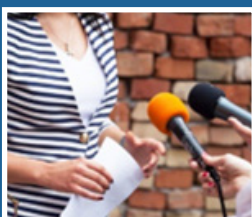
Emotional Intelligence and  
Animal Control Officers



Animal Shelter Operations  
and Administration



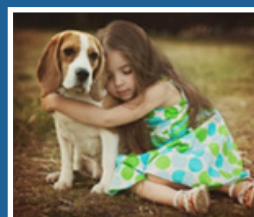
Spaying, Neutering,  
Microchipping  
and Adoption



Communications and  
Public Relations



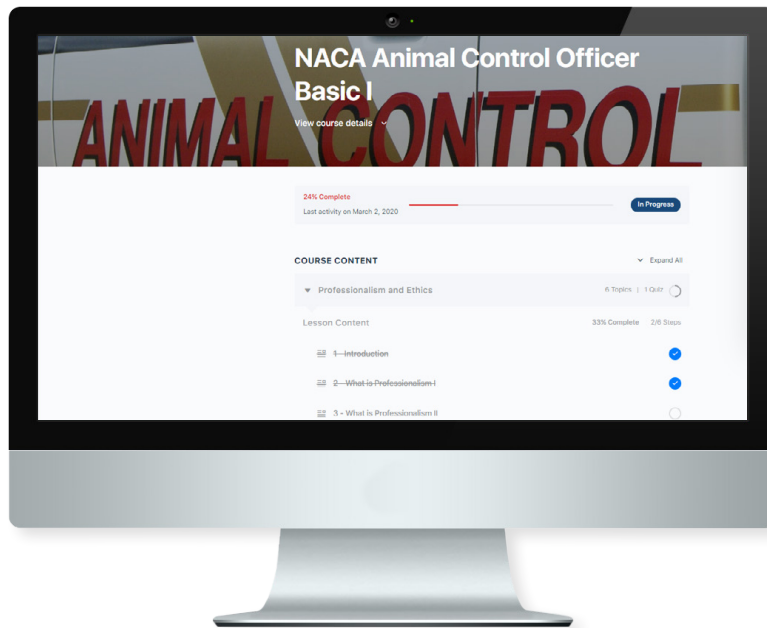
Search Warrants  
and Affidavits



Federal Laws for  
Controlled Substances

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

The NACA ACO I online training course is a ready-made solution to prepare animal welfare personnel for their career and for future training such as the in-person, 40-hour NACHO training class that provides hands-on experience for students.



- Most lessons start with an overview introductory page that outlines what will be covered in the course.
- A video lesson begins the course.
- Learning is reinforced with reviews, interactive exercises and memorable quotes.
- Courses often include inset boxes to help you connect the dots between the various lessons you are taking, and helpful “Pro Tips” from instructors.
- Throughout the course, we share reminders to apply what you’re learning to your own agency.
- As an added bonus, additional resources will be included such as white papers or other related webinars listed – in case you would like to dive deeper into a given topic.
- Also included are “Knowledge Checks” along the way to help reinforce what you need to know for each lesson’s final quiz (5-10 questions). These questions also help you to prepare for your end-of-course final certification exam.

# YOUR INSTRUCTORS

The lessons are taught by some of the industry's thought leaders – investigators and Animal Control professionals you might only get to hear at a national conference or read about in industry magazines.



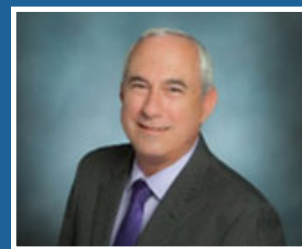
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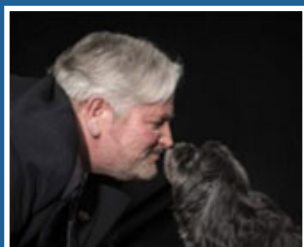
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Welfare



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and Control



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***Our instructors are folks who have been there. They've seen what ACOs and those in Law Enforcement are facing and are able to help prepare you to be successful in your career.***

- Scott Giacoppo, NACA President



# EASE OF SCHEDULING

The NACA Certification is designed specifically for working adults in the Animal Care and Control profession.

It can be hard to “juggle” the demands of work, family, and school. Online courses are a great way to get the knowledge (and certification) you need for career growth, without being tied down to a specific schedule, being out of the office for days at a time, or burdened by the expense of high priced tuition or travel costs.

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Those who complete the entire course and all of the required quizzes and course work will receive a Certificate of Completion issued by NACA\*. Students who wish to sit for a final, online proctored exam to become a NACA Certified Animal Control Officer (ACO I)\* will pay an additional \$50 to cover the cost of the online proctor.

Learn more and sign up at  
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\*NACA Certification may be eligible to meet the needs of your community. Please verify with your local POST or other ACO credentialing organization to see if the NACA Certification can be used for your credentialing, promotion processes, or continuing education units (CEUs).

Each lesson is  
“bite sized” just  
so you can do a  
little bit each day  
in order make  
progress towards  
your goals!





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