



Colleen Willms, DVM, DACVECC

Emergency & Critical Care



Dr. Colleen Willms received her doctor of veterinary medicine in 1998 from the University of Wisconsin College of Veterinary Medicine. After graduation, she completed a one-year rotating internship at Auburn University. Subsequently, she undertook a three-year, ACVECC-approved residency with doctors. Rebecca Kirby and Elke Rudloff, two highly regarded and board-certified veterinary criticalists. Dr. Willms worked at Alabama Veterinary Specialists for years as the director of the ICU and critical care service prior to joining Gulf Coast Veterinary Specialists. She was board certified by the American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care in 2005. Dr. Willms has a special interest in using Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT), as an adjunctive modality to helping patients. She enjoys spending time with her yorkie, Tulipe, who she adopted as a rescue. Tulipe was nursed back to health over a 10-day period in our ICU. She also enjoys traveling, birdwatching, communing with nature, and cooking.