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“Avery has been the most influential mentor to me throughout my training and post-residency career. Not only has he given me the skills and knowledge to become the surgeon I am today, his relentless pursuit of perfection has held me to a higher ethical and clinical standard. I am grateful for everything that Avery has done for myself and the profession.”

– Nathaniel Lam, DVM, DACVS-SA

What being a mentor means to me:

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“Teaching is in my blood. Becoming a teacher of zoo & wildlife medicine and surgery has allowed me to enjoy my two professional passions, teaching and veterinary medicine. When I have no one to teach, I am just doing another surgery. Sharing what I have learned during my career is extremely important to me. It gives me so much joy to see those who I have helped train succeed.”

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