Veterinary Technician VTS in Anesthesia

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Our privately-owned hospital is affiliated with the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinarian Medicine and located in beautiful Mount Laurel, NJ. We proudly hold the titles of *Best Veterinarian In South Jersey* (Burlington County Times) as well as 2015 and 2016 *Best Places To Work* (Monster Jobs)! Mount Laurel, NJ is in close proximity to Philadelphia.

MLAH is the premier critical care and referral center for Southern New Jersey and the surrounding areas serving the South Jersey community since 1976. We provide compassionate and progressive veterinary care for a wide range of companion pets and backyard animals. We currently have 26 practicing doctors and a support staff of over 120 employees. We feature specialty care and additional services including cardiology, exotics, internal medicine, oncology, ophthalmology, orthopedics, surgery, acupuncture, and home care.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist surgeon and work with surgery technicians to create anesthesia protocols for everyday use.
- Manage both routine and critical cases under anesthesia.
- Assist with training of surgery and anesthesia technicians.
- Place multi-lumen catheter in either a peripheral or central vein and utilize proper technique to secure and maintain the catheter and insert catheters (urinary and arterial).
- Perform the following laboratory test utilizing the appropriate analyzer: Blood gases, hematocrit, total protein, BUN, Glucose, Creatinine, electrolytes (serum and urine), activated clotting time, PT/PTT, osmolality, colloid oncotic pressure, and lactate.
- Utilize Anesthesia Ventilator.
- Assess an emergent or critically ill patient's condition and initiate appropriate action.
- Calculate drug doses and administering medications.
- Use patient monitoring equipment (ECG, Invasive or non-invasive BP, CVP, ET-CO2, Pulse Oximeter, etc.)
- Intubate patients with an endotracheal tube and care for patients with artificial airways.
- Determine appropriate peripheral and central catheterization site(s), insert the catheter and utilize proper technique(s) to secure and maintain the catheter.
- Take diagnostic quality radiographs.
- Provide continuing education lectures internally and for staff at rDVMs

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum 3-5 years experience in veterinary surgery and anesthesia
- CVT or VTS required
- Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS) in Anesthesia or Equivalent Experience
- Work experience in a fast-paced, multi-veterinarian hospital, emergency/referral practice or hospital

TECHNICAL ABILITIES AND SKILLS

- Knowledge of normal patient vitals for awake, sedated, and anesthetized patients
- Accuracy in calculating and delivering anesthetic agents, fluids, and CRIs
- Comprehensive understanding and experience with anesthetic monitoring is required
- Ability to work in a highly collaborative environment and commitment to building relationships with colleagues and clients

- Knowledge and care with equipment maintenance, cleaning, sterility, and troubleshooting; willingness to read equipment manuals and consult with vendors if repair/upgrades needed
- Experience using common emergency and critical care therapies and procedures.
- Ability to provide intense moment-to-moment monitoring and reassessment of emergent, critically ill, or anesthetized patients.
- Excellent communication and organizational skills are required
- Ability to deliver exceptional client service
- Must be able to regularly lift up to 50 pounds (work requires lifting, carrying, and restraining animals-with assistance from other staff for animals weighing over 50 pounds)

Compensation and Benefits: Compensation is based on experience and skill level. Full-time benefits include health, dental, and vision insurances; 401k; paid time off; uniforms; and discounted veterinary care.

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