

# PUGET SOUND

## VETERINARY SPECIALISTS

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### **Licensed Veterinary Technician – Surgery and Anesthesia**

**Full Time** – Approx. 36-40 hours/week

**Schedule** – Currently Monday-Thursday

### **About Us:**

Sound area is a beautiful place to live, work and raise a family. If you enjoy any outdoor activities, or beautiful scenery you will love this area.

Join our movement to improve the lives of veterinary healthcare workers and bonus, work alongside some pretty amazing people! PSVS was founded to offer people a place of employment where the support staff is as valued as the doctors. All employees at PSVS are treated with respect regardless of title or position. We are devoted to building a workspace that integrates mindfulness and wellbeing by including veterinary social work as an integral component of growing PSVS. We at PSVS want to help you re-discover your professional purpose and passion for helping animals. We are especially looking for someone who is compassionate, humble, honest and who is respectful of team members regardless of title or position.

We are offering a \$4,000 bonus to VTS candidates (surgery or anesthesia) after 90 days of employment and an additional \$1,000 after 12 months. If you wish to receive specialist level certification in either surgery or anesthesia, we will provide you with advanced training and financial support that goal. You will receive a \$1,000 bonus when you are invited to sit for the exam and a \$4,000 bonus when you pass your exam. Additional benefits include bonuses based on hospital performance, health, dental, vision, life insurance, STD/LTD, 401K with company matching, paid vacation, uniform allowance, continuing education, bridge toll and discounted veterinary services.

### **Education/Experience Requirements:**

Minimum Requirement of two years of specialty or emergency experience (anesthesia preferred) to join our surgical department.

High School Diploma or GED required.

Current Washington State Veterinary Technician License is a requirement, ideally obtained after completion of an accredited LVT program.

A criminal background check will be required for all positions that handle controlled substances within our hospital.

### **Essential Job Functions:**

- Client education

- Surgical patient admits and discharges
- Surgical appointments
- Assisting in surgery and sedated procedures
- Anesthetic monitoring
- All aspects of patient care including post op care and recovery of anesthetized patients
- Anesthetic equipment setup, use and maintenance
- Accurate medical record keeping

**Skills Required:**

- Venipuncture and intravenous catheter placement
- Enteral and parenteral medication administration
- Thorough understanding of physiology and pharmacology to give appropriate anesthetic care
- Formulating anesthetic plans tailored to individual patient needs
- Understanding of how patient comorbidities affect protocol selection and perioperative patient management
- Accurate drug dosage calculations
- Ability to interpret physiologic parameters, troubleshoot anesthetic complications and make appropriate interventions
- Postoperative recovery of anesthetic patients, ability to assess pain and perform postoperative pain scoring
- Ability to provide both basic and advanced life support under direction from the veterinarian during a CPR event
- Preferred advanced anesthesia skills include: arterial line placement and direct pressure monitoring, ultrasound-guided nerve blocks, CRI setup and monitoring, difficult airway intubation, mechanical ventilation

**We offer a very competitive benefit package including health, dental and vision insurance, 401k, scrub allowance, generous CE approval, bonus opportunity, life insurance and much more!**

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email your cover letter, resume and references to our Senior Hospital Administrator at [rpozzi@lakefieldvet.com](mailto:rpozzi@lakefieldvet.com) with "ATTN: PSVS Surgery LVT" for consideration! We look forward to hearing from you!