

JOB DESCRIPTION



POSITION TITLE: Surgical Licensed Veterinary Technician

REPORTS TO: Rescue Coordinator

POSITION SUMMARY: The surgical licensed veterinary technician (SLVT) is the veterinarian's primary medical support and aids the veterinarian in achieving greater efficiency in overall patient care. The SLVT will apply his/her professional technical skills in anesthesia, surgery, dentistry, laboratory testing, patient nursing care and client education. The technician must be a detail-oriented person who can make good decisions, respond quickly and calmly to crises, and always maintain high standards of patient care.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Works collaboratively within all levels of the organization and across departments to cultivate a positive culture and team approach to fulfilling AWS' mission
- Compassionately, calmly, and gently handles patients in our care
- Communicates with clients in a friendly, helpful manner to answer questions, acquire histories, etc.
- Assists in surgeries and advanced imaging procedures
- Ability to handle HQHVS in a fast paced environment
- Performs anesthetic induction, monitoring, maintenance, and recovery as required
- Utilizes practice management software to maintain client and patient records
- Provides safe restraint for patients during examinations and procedures
- Interprets and follows through on treatment sheet orders
- Implements appropriate animal husbandry skills to decrease disease spread, injury and stress to patients
- Performs venipuncture, IV catheter placement etc. as needed
- Recognizes normal physical examination parameters on canine, feline, and other patients
- Notices and documents changes in patient attitude, behavior, and condition
- Calculates medication and fluid doses for administration to hospitalized patients
- Carries out or sets up procedures that do not require veterinarian assistance
- Assists with other areas of service during downtime or as directed by supervisor
- Provides excellent communication and customer service skills
- Displays ability to handle stressful or emergent situations in a calm and supportive manner
- Maintains controlled substance log; keeps controlled drugs secured to meet Drug Enforcement Agency and Maine state law requirements

- Maintains radiology log to comply with AAHA standards and/or Maine state laws
- Remains knowledgeable and in compliance with AWS Personnel Guidelines, applicable State and Federal laws and AWS policies, procedures and programs
- Supports programs and activities of AWS as requested

EDUCATION/WORK EXPERIENCE:

- 3+ years experience in a clinic setting
- Graduate of an AVMA accredited training school or program, licensed with the state of Maine in good standing and must complete all professional requirements to maintain licensure
- Proven organizational skills
- HQHVSN experience preferred but not required

COMPENSATION/BENEFITS:

- \$25/hr - This is a full time hourly position
- No public facing appointments
- No weekends/overnights/on call
- Health Insurance, Dental & Vision
- Matching 401(k)
- Generous PTO allowance
- CE allowance & license reimbursement

I have read and understand this job description.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____