



Position: Licensed Veterinary Technician

Reports to: Veterinarian in Charge

Status: Non-exempt, full-time or part-time

Summary

The Chesapeake Humane Society operates a low-cost, high-volume clinic, offering preventative veterinary care, spay/neuter surgery, dentals, and various surgical procedures. The Licensed Veterinary Technician performs some animal medical procedures while providing support to the Veterinarian in Charge (VIC) and Associate Veterinarians of the Chesapeake Humane Society (CHS). The incumbent shall uphold and abide by clinic and shelter protocols as set by the Veterinarian in Charge.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Interpret medical histories and relay pertinent information to the VIC
- Safely and humanely restrain animals for medical procedures
- Administer vaccinations, microchips, sedatives, and pre-anesthetic and anesthetic drugs under the supervision of the VIC
- Perform dental exams, create dental estimates, and perform dental cleanings
- Perform diagnostic services such as bloodwork, ear swabs, and skin scrapings for VIC to interpret, document results, and communicate to clients or Administrative Assistants
- Recover pets from anesthesia and involve VIC as needed
- Provide post-operative, vaccination, and microchipping counseling and answer client inquiries, forwarding to VIC as appropriate
- Reconcile controlled substance log at the end of business
- Clean and sanitize veterinary equipment, surgical tools, animal enclosures, work space, lobby, and break room as assigned
- Ensure all supply areas are stocked and report deficiencies to VIC
- Assist VIC in providing oversight, support, and training for Veterinary Assistants
- Engage visitors in non-confrontational, educational conversations regarding animal care, surrender, sheltering policies, etc
- Work cooperatively with all staff to promote the CHS mission
- Perform other duties as assigned

Skills and Educational Requirements

- High school diploma
- Current license to practice as a Licensed Veterinary Technician in the state of Virginia
- Understanding of veterinary medicine, ability to administer vaccinations, microchips, and controlled substances, ability to collect samples for diagnostics, and ability to perform animal restraint as appropriate for an LVT
- Confidence using computer systems and learning new software
- Ability to provide quality customer service in a high-volume, stressful environment
- Strong written and oral communication skills including the ability to educate clients effectively in English

- Willingness to discuss euthanasia, open-admission sheltering, and surrender of pets in a non-judgmental, non-confrontational, fact-based manner
- Ability to express organizational standpoints when serving as a CHS representative
- Ability to handle confidential or sensitive information with discretion
- Ability to function well independently and as a team member
- Ability to mediate and problem solve in the moment
- Excellent attention to detail; organization skills and ability to multitask

Physical and Time Demands

- Ability to work early mornings, evenings, and weekends
- Ability to work in a fast-paced setting with distractions
- Ability to work in the presence of animals, wildlife, strong odors, and cleaning solutions
- Ability to stand, walk, bend, and lift and carry materials up to 40 lbs
- Ability to handle stress
- Valid driver's license, clean driving record, and reliable personal transportation
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To Apply: submit cover letter, resume, and professional references to [hiring@chesapeakehumane.org](mailto: hiring@chesapeakehumane.org)