

## **REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN**

The Veterinary Technician works under the Animal Care Manager, and in consultation with the Veterinarian(s) to provide a high level of veterinary care to shelter companion animals. This role is crucial in disease prevention, assessment, and treatment of the animals in care; and directly assists the Shelter's Veterinarian in medical, behavioral, and surgical/anesthetic procedures. This position also supports the medical care of owned animals through outreach programs.

### **Qualifications:**

- Certified Animal Health Technologist/Certification of Registered Veterinary Technologist
- Registered active member of the Alberta Association of Veterinary Technologists
- Minimum of one (1) year experience in a fast-paced veterinary clinic environment preferred
- Excellent communication skills both verbal and written
- Highly motivated self-starter who takes the initiative with minimal supervision
- Ability to multitask in a fast-paced team environment
- Skilled in Microsoft Office 365 and ability to learn shelter specific programs
- Valid Class 5 Driver's License with clear Driver's Abstract provided
- Position is physically demanding and includes heavy lifting, pushing, and pulling, which requires an individual with the ability to lift seventy-five (75) lbs. comfortably
- Must be able to restrain animals up to one hundred and fifty (150) lbs

### **Responsibilities:**

- Perform all RVT duties including updating medical files for patients established in the ABVMA guidelines
- Calculate drug dosages, and fill/administer prescriptions for patients
- Maintain an inventory of appropriate supplies, medications
- Maintain the Anaesthetic Log and document all controlled drugs used in the Controlled Drug Log. Follow all guidelines for disposal of expired controlled drugs
- Consult with clients on medical, lifestyle and dietary needs of animals being adopted when required
- Consult with Animal Care Management regarding medical concerns of animals in foster care
- Triage all incoming animals in consultation with the Shelter Veterinarian
- Examine, vaccinate, deworm and treat all patients as required
- Administer intravenous, intramuscular and subcutaneous injections, as directed by the Shelter Veterinarian
- Administer oral, nasal, aural and ocular medications, as directed to by the Shelter Veterinarian
- Assist the Shelter Veterinarian during examinations and surgeries

- In collaboration with the Shelter Veterinarian select appropriate diets based on patient's age/health status
- Monitor hospitalized patients in consultation with the Shelter Veterinarian
- Perform dental cleanings and examinations (including charting)
- Perform lab tests, requisitions, prepare and collect samples as required
- Obtain & assess quality digital radiography (regular and dental)
- Follow scheduled facility cleaning procedures
- Maintain all veterinary clinic and diagnostic areas including restocking & cleaning
- Ensure clinic kennels, runs, and cages are kept in a manner that is best suited for the animal's health and welfare
- Carry out scheduled animal feeding, watering, exercise and enrichment of animals in the clinic's care
- Complete all required written administration reports
- Perform other reporting and duties as required.

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time, Permanent

Part-time hours: 32 - 40 per week

Salary: \$21.00-\$23.00 per hour