Registered Veterinary Technician

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Office, Clerical and Technical
Position covered by the Collective Agreement with USW Local 4120

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Ontario Veterinary College Health Sciences Centre
Temporary full-time from March 2016 to April 30, 2016

Hiring #: 2016-0091

Please read the Application Instructions [1] before applying

The Ontario Veterinary College Health Sciences Centre (HSC) provides a comprehensive and innovative clinical environment for experiential learning and discovery through the provision of excellence in patient care and client experience. HSC Registered Veterinary Technicians (RVTs) support our mission “healthier animals for a better world” by contributing to the delivery of excellence in patient health care, providing a supportive learning environment for student veterinarians and technical assistance required to facilitate leading edge research by our faculty and graduate students.

Under the direction of a clinician in the HSC, the RVT participates as a member of the healthcare team where their first assignment will be in Companion Animal Surgery with subsequent future assignments in Junior Surgery, Diagnostic Imaging (DI, Radiology) and Anesthesia. In addition, incumbents will be cross-trained and assigned to work in a variety of technical and non-technical service areas based on the operational needs of the OVC HSC.

HSC RVTs provide a supportive role to our clinicians (Faculty, Veterinarians, Interns, Residents and DVScs), enabling our clinicians to perform veterinary procedures and teach in an efficient manner while addressing the needs of the patient. RVTs provide technical and operations support, under the direct and indirect supervision of a licensed veterinarian by performing a variety of technical procedures; demonstrating competency in the procedures needed to initiate medical treatments; set up for veterinary medical procedures, provide appropriate supplies, monitor patient status, and recognize the equipment and instrumentation needed for medical procedures and ensure they are made ready in anticipation of the clinicians’ needs; applying knowledge of a diverse range of instrumentation and equipment within a variety of patient service areas. RVTs have the capability to work with, maintain and troubleshoot equipment within their primary service area(s).

Through effective communication with internal stakeholders (other patient service areas, client services, pharmacy, business office, sterilizing processing and decontamination, animal health lab, etc.) our technicians play a key role in ensuring that patient health care is coordinated across modalities; our patients’ health and well-being is at the forefront of all we do; and our clients’ have a positive experience at the HSC, they feel valued, respected and have trust in our patient healthcare team.

Our RVTs provide technical learning support for fourth year students, externship and coop students.
and volunteers in basic procedures and processes; ensuring animal welfare is valued and at the forefront of the learning experience. RVTs observe, coach, and guide students as they apply their learning. The RVT ensures that students complete medical records in accordance with HSC and CVO requirements. When further learning needs are identified, the RVT will share this information with the appropriate faculty member.

The RVT is required to communicate effectively with internal and external stakeholders to build mutual respect, understanding and a collaborative team environment. In the OVC HSC the RVTs may work in service areas where there is significant interaction with the client, students and animals directly. In addition, experienced RVTs may discuss a patient's condition with its owners and be involved in the orientation and training of new personnel. The OVC HSC has a varied patient base thus RVTs may be assisting with activities unique to companion animals and/or to large animals. RVTs assist companion animal clinicians in their care of companion animals, such as cats and dogs, but can also be involved in providing technical expertise in a variety of situations including and/or large animals including horses, cows, sheep, pigs, etc.

Requirements for this position include: successful completion of an accredited Veterinary Technician program recognized by the Ontario Association of Veterinary Technicians; full member in good standing with the Ontario Association of Veterinary Technicians (OAVT); successful completion of the Veterinary Technician Examination (VTNE); and the OAVT mandatory ethics exam. OAVT registration is required. Preferred candidates will also have a minimum of up to six months’ prior experience working as an RVT. Demonstrated proficiency in customer service: excellent communication and organizational skills particularly with respect to dealing with clients; ability to mentor students and contribute to a collaborative team environment and effective organizational skills. Familiarity with common computer software including Hospital Management Information System software is preferred.

A protective rabies titre is required.

The incumbent will normally be expected to work a 35 hour work week however; flexibility in scheduling availability is required. The incumbent will be required to work a variety of shifts including evenings and weekends.

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Classification                             USW, Local 4120 Salary Band 5*  
Normal Hiring Range                    $23.60 - $26.37  

*Tentative evaluation

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