Registered Veterinary Technician

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Office, Clerical and Technical

Registered Veterinary Technician

Hill’s Pet Nutrition Primary Healthcare Centre
Ontario Veterinary College Health Sciences Centre

Temporary part-time from March 2016 to March 2017

Hiring #: 2016-0110

Please read the Application Instructions [1] before applying.

Reporting to the Practice Manager, Hill’s Pet Nutrition Primary Healthcare Centre (PHC) the Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT) provides service to clients; enhances learning opportunities for veterinary students, and delivers patient care under the supervision and direction of a licensed veterinarian. The successful candidate will frequently perform various medical tests and treat medical conditions and diseases in animals as instructed by a clinician while offering experiential learning opportunities for veterinary students. For example, they may perform laboratory tests such as urinalysis and blood counts, assist with dental prophylaxis, prepare tissue samples, take blood samples, or assist clinicians in performing a variety of tests and analyses in which they use various types of medical equipment and instrumentation including (but not limited to) endotracheal tubes, ECGs, blood pressure monitors, temperature probes, blood electrolyte analysers, blood glucose monitors, ultrasound and x-ray equipment, etc. The RVT is required to communicate effectively with internal and external stakeholders to ensure mutual respect, and a collaborative team environment.

The RVT works in service areas within the PHC and the Health Sciences Centre (HSC) where there is significant, direct interaction with the clients, students and animals. For example, RVTs obtain and record patients’ case histories, provide specialized patient health care, discuss a patient’s condition with its owners and are involved in the orientation and training of new personnel and students. 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 with a variety of species which could include large animals and avian and exotic species, etc.

The incumbent will be required to deliver outstanding client service in a busy environment and work in a team environment while showing initiative and flexibility. The RVT works closely with other team members including: attending clinicians (Faculty and Veterinarians), RVT’s, Client Service and Housing Staff to ensure quality patient care and continuity within the PHC and the HSC.

The incumbent will be cross trained in other areas of the Health Sciences Centre which may include: service areas within the Companion Animal Medical Complex and non-technical areas within the hospital. They may be assigned to work in a variety of service areas based on operational requirements.

Requirements of the 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 and up to one year prior experience working as an RVT. Additional requirements include: demonstrated proficiency in customer service; excellent communication and organizational skills; a positive and willing approach to problem solving; ability to work independently and as part of a team; initiative; accuracy and attention to detail mentoring students and contributing to an efficient and satisfying workplace, treating animals and people with mutual respect and understanding.

Familiarity with common computer software and Hospital Management Information Systems is also required.

Flexibility in scheduling availability is required, the incumbent will be required to work a variety of shifts including evenings and weekends. Hours may be subject to change based on operational need. A protective rabies titre is a requirement for this position.

Classification                  Salary Band 5*
Normal Hiring Range            $23.73 - $26.50 per hour

*Tentative evaluation

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