

## **Registered Veterinary Technician for the Audubon Zoo, New Orleans, LA**

Audubon is seeking a qualified and experienced Registered Veterinary Technician to work primarily in our Zoo Hospital. The Veterinary Technician is responsible for assisting Veterinarians in all forms of routine medical and laboratory procedures and maintain hospital readiness. They may also handle animal-related emergencies. Technicians also have some animal husbandry duties for hospitalized patients, quarantine animals, and local wildlife to assist the Hospital Keepers.

### **To deliver on the Audubon mission, the Veterinary Technician will:**

Assist the Veterinarians and other Hospital staff in all forms of routine health procedures, including restraint, treatments, phlebotomy, anesthesia, anesthetic monitoring, radiology, other imaging, other sample collection, dental prophylaxis, surgery, or other procedures in efforts to maintain optimal health in all accessioned animals throughout Audubon Nature Institute.

Assist in maintaining hospital facilities in a constant state of readiness and cleanliness.

Assist in maintaining an adequate and appropriate medical inventory of supplies and medications.

Maintain all equipment to ensure functionality, cleanliness, and compliance with regulations.

Reconcile financial reports accurately and on time.

Efficiently repair or replace defective equipment.

Efficiently process equipment/supplies for sterilization.

Perform common veterinary clinical pathology procedures to provide results to the Veterinarians.

Participate in the supervision and training of any students or interns.

Efficiently manage diagnostic samples for shipping to other laboratories or to examine in-house, which includes but is not limited to parasite exams, cytology, urinalysis, and avian, reptilian, and mammalian hematology.

Perform all duties of a Hospital Keeper as needed for husbandry.

Work overtime, travel to multiple facilities, and efficiently respond to institute emergencies as needed.

Must be able to work weekends.

Understand the physical and health related risks inherent to working with wild and captive zoo animals.

Able to work as a member of a team as well as individually with minimal supervision.

Act with discretion and good judgment.

Gain knowledge of the exotic animals under hospital care and their individual husbandry needs.

Maintain accurate records of medical care, laboratory results, serum and tissue banks, controlled substance logs and assist in other record keeping duties as required.

The above listed duties are general statements of required major duties and responsibilities performed on a regular and continuous basis. They do not exclude other duties as assigned.

**Experience:** One year zoological/exotic animal experience preferred. Husbandry experience.

**Education:** Graduate of an AVMA-accredited Veterinary Technology Program

**Licensure/Certification:** Veterinary Technology degree and ability to obtain Louisiana licensure

Must have current Rabies, Tetanus, hepatitis A/B, COVID and influenza vaccines and annual TB test.

Please view a more complete Job Description and apply online at:

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