



Clearwater Marine Aquarium in Clearwater, FL is seeking a veterinary technician for the Animal Health Department to assist the staff in the daily operations of maintaining the health and wellbeing of CMA's resident and rehabilitating animals. This is a full-time hourly position with benefits reporting directly to the Animal Health Hospital Manager.

**ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:**

- Participate in the rapid response to all resident and stranded animal events including those that occur during non-scheduled times of work or outside of CMA's operating hours
- Collect, or assist with collection of, diagnostic samples from resident and rehabilitating animals
- Perform laboratory diagnostic evaluation including hematology, blood chemistry, cytology, and fecal examinations, as well as preparing samples for submission to outside laboratories
- Prepare for and assist with medical and surgical procedures, including phlebotomy, other sample collection, and diagnostic imaging
- Prepare for and assist with monitoring of anesthesia
- Assist with euthanasia and post-mortem examinations
- Perform hospital maintenance and cleaning, including sterilization, organization and regular inspections of medical and laboratory equipment
- Manage pharmaceutical, hospital and laboratory inventory supplies
- Assist husbandry staff with animal training plans that include medical care elements
- Prepare, dispense and/or administer medications as directed by the Veterinarian
- Perform data entry in order to maintain complete and current records including sample storage
- Correspond and coordinate with veterinarian regarding animal care, medical procedures and rehabilitation
- Adhere to all OSHA, USDA, DEA and FWC regulations and make recommendations for work orders to ensure compliance in all areas
- Participate in various PR and media events including professional interviews as deemed necessary or appropriate by the Veterinarian.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- Veterinary technician degree from an accredited organization with a minimum of two years in veterinary field; or equivalent experience
- Previous experience in aquarium or zoo industry preferred
- Ability to be certified in the state of Florida
- Ability to obtain Florida driver's license
- Ability to work a flexible schedule, including weekends, nights, and/or holidays as needed; must also be able to share a 24/7 on-call schedule in case of emergency situations
- Experience in avian and reptile hematology preferred
- Basic understanding of medical equipment, including but not limited to anesthetic machine, anesthesia monitoring, in-house lab equipment, and radiology equipment
- Knowledge of medical procedures and rehabilitation of sea turtles and marine mammals preferred
- Ability to calculate amounts such as proportions, percentages, area, circumference, and volume.
- Ability to communicate clearly both in writing and verbally and follow complex instructions
- Ability to take initiative and work independently in the absence of supervision
- Proficient in Microsoft Office suite (Excel, word, power point etc.)

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Submit cover letter and resume/CV online at [www.cmaqarium.org](http://www.cmaqarium.org)