



**San Diego Zoo Global  
Class Specification  
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**Animal Care Supervisor – Animal Health**

**Primary Purpose:**

The ACS-AH is responsible for the daily supervision of the safe care and handling of an assigned animal collection.

**Essential functions:**

- Supervises assigned staff, including hospital keepers and registered veterinary technicians.
- Assures the Opportunities to Thrive are applied to each animal in the hospital, quarantine or in holding and that the welfare needs of each individual are regularly assessed.
- Assures animal areas are regularly cleaned and disinfected and that facilities are maintained to USDA/AZA standards and exceeds standards where possible.
- Participates in scheduling veterinary procedures and managing procedure calendar
- Assures feeding schedules and dietary requirements of hospital and quarantine animals are met.
- Assures dietary intake is monitored and any concerns are reported and followed up.
- Ensures accurate and complete records of animal activities are maintained and entered in ZIMS as required
- Assures prescribed medical treatments/practices are met.
- Effectively coordinates activities
- Participates in establishing and updating standard operating procedures
- Reports pest control concerns
- Generates work requests and coordinates completion
- Participates in planning the development and modification of hospital facilities
- Conducts special tours as required
- Assists and backs up timekeeping functions
- Participates in facility inspections – internal as well as regulatory

**Qualifications**

- Examples of representative qualifications include considerable experience working with zoological species. Experience in the supervision of animal care and handling of exotic animals in a zoological or hospital setting preferred
- Previous supervisory experience preferred.
- A Bachelor's degree in zoology, animal science, or a related field is desirable.
- Mechanical, technical and construction skills are desirable.
- Experience working with represented labor is desirable.
- A valid CA driver's license is required.