

# Job Description

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| <p><b>Title:</b> Certified Veterinary Technician<br/><b>FLSA Status:</b> Non-Exempt<br/><b>Position Reports to (Title):</b> Director of Veterinary Services<br/><b>Full-time/Part-time:</b> Full-time<br/><b>Revision Date:</b> 07/21/2020</p> |
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## Essential Job Functions

### Demonstrate proficiency in clinical procedures including:

- Phlebotomy
- IV catheter placement, IV fluid set up and monitoring
- Induction, intubation, maintenance and monitoring of anesthesia, including a detailed written anesthesia log
- Surgical prep, monitoring, recovery and post-op patient care
- Dental prophylaxis and dental surgical assistance
- Laboratory analysis of urine and feces. Sample preparation for shipping to outside laboratory
- Dose calculation, preparation and administration of medications
- Ultrasound-guided cystocentesis
- Hand-injection of chimpanzees
- Remote injection of chimpanzees using pole syringe or dart
- Set up, clean up and assist with post-mortem examination; document examinations with photographs and written records
- Prepare post-mortem tissues for shipment
- Prepare drug cocktail for capture immobilization under veterinary supervision
- Load and charge darts for immobilization, clean darts after use
- Serve as an adjunct member of the STAT team, under the direction of the veterinarian(s)

### Demonstrate proficiency in hospital management duties including:

- Operate, calibrate and maintain all diagnostic, surgical and dental equipment
- Work with Pharmacy Assistant to organize and maintain inventory and develop a system for keeping it updated
- Clean, pack and sterilize surgical, dental and necropsy instruments
- Maintain, clean and stock veterinary clinic and van, lab and pharmacy
- Manage animal medical records and data entry into the Zoo Information Management System (ZIMS), including laboratory tests and results, photographs, technician's clinical observations, authorized prescriptions and more
- Develop a system to track preventive health care (fecals and deworming, urinalyses, vaccinations, etc.)

### Demonstrate Proficiency in Animal Care:

- Prepare and deliver chimpanzee medications to Care Technicians
- Maintain record of individual oral medication delivery preferences
- Maintain inventory of controlled substances with oversight by Director of Veterinary Services
- Assist veterinarian(s) during daily care and observations of chimpanzees
- Assist veterinarian(s) with medical rounds
- Become knowledgeable of resident chimpanzees' histories and personalities

## Education and Work Experience

- Associates degree from AVMA CVTEA Accredited school of Veterinary Technician required.
- Florida Veterinary Technician Certification.
- Proficient in veterinary technical and hospital management skills as listed above.
- VTNE or state equivalent required.
- Minimum three years of full-time clinical experience as a veterinary technician.

To Apply: Please submit CV, cover letter to [hr@savethechimps.org](mailto:hr@savethechimps.org)