

Job Description: Licensed Veterinary Technician

Status: Full time, Non-Exempt, 37.5 hours per week

Department: Animal Welfare and Conservation



General Statement of Duties

The Veterinary Technician is responsible for providing the museum with clinical support in the medical and surgical care of the Museum's live animal collection. The Veterinary Technician collaborates with the museum's curators, volunteers, and contracted veterinary support to implement the veterinary care program and maintenance of all veterinary department equipment and protocols to the highest AZA standards. The position recognizes the capacity to achieve greater results by integrating skilled volunteers and leveraging their diverse knowledge and abilities. The Veterinary Technician reports directly to the Animal Welfare Senior Director.

Qualifications

- Degree obtained from an AVMA accredited Veterinary Technology Program
- Three or more years of experience as a veterinary technician in a zoological, aquarium, or exotic animal specialty practice/setting.
- Maintains all appropriate veterinary technician licensure in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- Proficiency in animal restraint, sample collection techniques, patient monitoring, cytology, hematology, parasitology, radiograph positioning, and intravenous catheter placement.
- Knowledge of the anatomy, physiology, behavior, handling, and anesthesia techniques of zoological species.
- Knowledge of sterile techniques and surgical equipment cleaning and sterilization in addition to knowledge of infectious disease control and quarantine practices.
- Experience in maintenance of electronic records
- Chemical immobilization training preferred.
- Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Must display initiative, good judgement, and self-driven, motivated demeanor.
- Must be able to remain calm, make sound decisions, and provide direction in a crisis situation.
- Must have proof of current rabies vaccination or agree to be vaccinated at the museums expense.
- Fit Aid & CPR certified or agree to become at museums expense.
- Must have a valid driver's license.

Benefits include: Health, Dental & Vision Insurance, Vacation, Sick, Personal days, Life, Short & Long Term Insurance, 401K

Qualified applicants please submit a VLM application, cover letter, resume and references. No phone calls, please.

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