



Veterinary Technology Program
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Dear Veterinary Technology Program Applicant,

To ensure that all applicants have an accurate and thorough understanding of the veterinary nursing profession, all applicants must complete a minimum of eight (8) hours of shadowing at a veterinary medical facility.

Information for the Applicant

- All 8 hours should be completed at one location.
- When choosing the facility to complete the shadowing experience, it is preferred that the facility employ a Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT).
- Shadow hours and report must be completed and submitted at the time of application to the program.
- The applicant’s focus is to observe the type of work that occurs at the veterinary practice and the RVT’s role in the practice of veterinary medicine.
 - The specific areas to survey are: animal nursing, anesthesia, surgical nursing, diagnostics, laboratory, reception, and kennel work.
- The mentors in the participating practice are likely very busy and may not have time to completely describe everything that you witness during your time there. Their primary concern is, and should be, patient care. Do not be discouraged by this.

Information for Participating Clinics

- Participation by a veterinary clinic is optional.
- Most clinics opt to participate because they wish to expose new people to the profession and ignite their passion by sharing knowledge and skills.
- No monetary compensation will be provided from the college. Veterinary clinics participate on a voluntary basis.

Confidentiality

- All personnel working in a veterinary practice are expected to maintain confidentiality of clients, patients, and the practice at all times. As a participant in that setting, the applicant is expected to obey to that requirement. This means that no photos or posting on social media is allowed.

Log of Experience

Site _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Date _____ Hours _____ Date _____ Hours _____ Date _____ Hours _____ Date _____ Hours _____

Total hours _____ Sponsor signature (after completion) _____

Type your answers to the following questions and submit them, and this completed form with your program application.

1. List the tasks and briefly describe the duties you observed completed by the: RVT, veterinary assistant, receptionist, and in the kennel.
2. What did you learn about RVT duties and veterinary nursing during your shadowing experience?
3. Why do you think it is important for RVTs to have good people skills?