

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION

Employer: WEX TEMPLATES

Contact:

Supervisor:

Employer Tel:

Website:

Job: Veterinary Assistant

Classification: Animal Care & Control

Ref: 13,101

Aims & Objectives: To improve the key skills through the experience of work. To gain a basic understanding of how a veterinary practice operates.

Key Tasks: Students must be prepared to do a high degree of observing/shadowing trained staff then after some basic training you may assist with simple tasks (under supervision). The work that students will do whilst on this placement will be very dependent on the workload of the surgery during that time.

Requirements: Students must be honest and reliable, have common sense and good communication skills. Students must have a genuine interest in veterinary work. Students will need to be up-to-date with their tetanus inoculation.

Clothing: Students are required to be reasonably smart with sensible shoes and be of conventional appearance.

Working Hours: 9am - 1pm and 4pm - 6pm Monday to Friday (max 37 hrs). Students must be flexible as hours may vary.

Meal Breaks: - lunchtimes may be unsupervised

Interview Required: Y

Student to Arrange: Y

Notes: Student to contact employer to arrange an interview / informal chat prior to starting the placement.

Employer's Health & Safety Risk Assessment:

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE & AWARENESS:-Students must be supervised at all times.WORKPLACE SPECIFIC HAZARDS:-Students must follow all instructions and hygiene procedures given by staff.Students may not handle or touch animals until authorised to do so.There is a possibility that students may be scratched or bitten when handling animals.If students suffer with allergies, breathing problems or other medical problems please advise the vet/ surgery.If the student has any illness, disability, low immunity or is pregnant they should inform the vet/ surgery.Any history of the misuse of drugs should be notified to the vet/ surgery.EQUIPMENT & MACHINERY:-Students must not enter the X ray radiation area when warning light is on.CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES:-Students may be transported by vets on a one to one basis.LIFTING & MANUAL HANDING:-Safe lifting and handling procedure will be shown.SLIPS, TRIPS & FALLS:-Students must not work at heights.CHEMICALS & FLAMMABLE MATERIALS:-Students must not come into contact with hazardous machinery or chemicals.PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:-Student must wear personal protection clothes if provided such as aprons and rubber glovesCOMPUTERS & WORK STATION:-Regular breaks from computer screens are required during prolonged use.

Special Notes:

Parents/Guardians will be expected to give details of any health problems e.g. epilepsy, asthma etc on the agreement form

Last Visit Date:**Next Visit Date:****Risk Band: M**