

# Registered Veterinary Technologist, Mobile Surgical Unit

### Fixed Term

(Anticipated) Start Date: April 30, 2024; End Date: August 1, 2024

### **About Us**

The Edmonton Humane Society (EHS) has been an animal welfare leader in the Edmonton community since 1907. We strive to be a model of excellence in the advancement of animal welfare and to lead the movement in creating a more humane world. EHS is a safe haven for thousands of homeless animals each year, providing veterinary treatment, behavioral rehabilitation, care, enrichment and rehoming. Beyond animal sheltering, we engage with the community through various programs and services to support happy, lifelong bonds between people and pets.

#### The Role

This role is ideal for those looking for an opportunity to make a difference in the community while at the same time maintaining work-life balance. The Mobile surgical unit provides spay/neuter access to care for Edmonton and area residents.

The Mobile surgical unit provides access to care for Edmonton and area residents who qualify under the low-income guideline set out by the Government of Alberta as well as supports the Trap, Neuter Release initiatives in the surrounding areas of Edmonton. The Registered Veterinary Technologists on-board responsibilities include patient flow, premedication, surgical preparation, anesthesia monitoring and surgical recovery period as well as client counselling to ensure optimal patient care. This is an amazing opportunity to join a progressive organization with a skilled medical team to help make a difference in your community. The Mobile Unit season will run 3 days per week from April 30 to Aug 1.

# Key Roles & Responsibilities

This position is responsible for a variety of functions as follows:

#### Intake of patients

- Informing the owner/caretaker of procedures and risks involved to obtain informed consent for surgery, vaccination, microchip and/or parasite medication.
- Document the animal's correct weight and place the animal in a cage with identification documents on the front of the cage.
- Assist the veterinarian in performing a physical exam prior to surgery.
- Preparation of medication for each patient after intake; including injectable pre-medication/anesthesia, analgesia injectable and oral; vaccines, microchip.

#### Surgical Duties

- Assist with pre-medication of patients and prepare patient for surgery.
- Assist with monitoring patients during anesthesia and during recovery.
- Assist with clean-up, including washing gross debris from surgical instruments/surgical packs, cleaning surfaces, cages and floor, returning all equipment and supplies to correct area for storage.
- Assist with data entry using Shelter software.
- Assist with patient discharge.



## **Education & Requirements**

- Accredited Animal Health Technology Diploma
- ADVMA license in "Good Standing"
- Experience in performing high-volume/high quality spay and neuter is an asset

### **Skills & Abilities**

As the ideal candidate, you will have a passion for people, performance and diversity (and of course animal welfare). You have the ability to work both independently and as a team. You have the ability to work well in stressful situations and adapt accordingly.

## Compensation & Hours

- Compensation: EHS offers a competitive not-for-profit compensation package which includes a comprehensive benefits package, and a strong work-life balance.
- Hours: This position requires travel throughout Edmonton and will consist of 3 (three) daytime shifts per week, between April 30 August 1, 2024; during weekdays only.

# How to Apply

The Edmonton Humane Society is an equal opportunity employer and we thank all applicants for submitting their resume. However, only those candidates considered for employment will be contacted.