

Registered Veterinary Technologist

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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

Reporting to Supervisor, Medical Services, the Registered Veterinary Technologist (RVT) provides care directly related to the health of animals in-care. The position provides an exciting opportunity to make a difference in the lives of animals in need. The diversity and complexity of the RVT's job includes anesthetic emergencies, incoming animal emergencies, medical concerns/sick animals, shelter space issues, phone calls from the public, and reading an animal's body language to see if it is safe to handle it. RVTs do not have responsibility for money or other financial matters.

Key Roles & Responsibilities

Routine Animal Care

- Medicating, deworming, weighing, vaccinating, wound care, x-rays, fecal and urine analysis, in house lab work, snap tests, animal health reminders rounds and re-checks.
- Veterinary Assistance for animals requiring advanced care (diagnostic work ups, implementing veterinary treatment plans, follow-up treatments, rechecks).
- Entry Examinations (health exam, vaccinate, enter results into computer) on all animals entering shelter.
- Foster animal exams, treatments, and follow-ups.

Surgical Duties

- Pre-medicating for surgery and surgery prepping, monitoring anesthesia and post-op recovery, aiding vet when needed.
- Placing IV, catheters and administering IV medications and IV fluids with the use of an infusion pump.
- Preparing surgery cards, drug dosages, and drug prep for each animal, completing drug logs.
- Perform Dental prophylaxis, dental x-rays, and charting.

Euthanasia

- Collecting and tranquilizing animals for euthanasia.

Client Relations and Offboarding

- Adopter Education as required for adoptable animals that may require a higher level of care post adoption .
- Provide care for foster animals that come in for exams, communicating with the foster parent about the animal's well-being, any special care it may require while in foster, and future plans for the animal's progression to the adoption floor.
- Send out foster animals to new foster families, ensuring medical prescriptions or special supplies are sent with the foster parent.



Education & Requirements

- Accredited Animal Health Technology Diploma
- ABVMA license in good standing
- 15 credits of continuing education yearly

Skills & Abilities

- Previous experience as an RVT recommended but not necessary
- Experience working with computer software
- Ability to work alone or as a team
- Ability to work well in stressful situations and adapt accordingly
- Strong work ethic
- Good verbal and written skills—medical reports must be filled out correctly and concisely
- Time management skills

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:** 40 hours a week; however, is expected to work hours as required to fulfill department responsibilities. Some evenings and weekends may be required.

How to Apply

If you are looking for a rewarding career in an exciting fast paced environment, we invite you to forward your resume and salary expectations, in confidence, by email to hr@edmontonhumanesociety.com

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.