



Veterinary Technician Assistant - VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre

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Job Description:

VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre in Winfield, BC, is looking for a dedicated **full time Technical Assistant** to join our team. We are looking for great team players who would enjoy a fast-paced environment and are passionate about making a REAL difference in the lives of our patients and clients. Full disclosure - as we offer 24 hour care 7 days a week to our patients there will be weekend and night shifts as well as day time shifts!

What you need

- Previous veterinary experience is an asset
- Exceptional client service skills that build trust and loyalty with clients
- Strong communication skills and ability to work with a dynamic and diverse team
- Compassion and nurturing attitude when providing care to clients and patients
- Ability to remain calm and efficient in stressful situations
- Positive outlook and enthusiasm for learning
- Initiative in carrying out assignments independently

Your role will be

- Assisting Veterinarians and Technicians with various tasks and treatment of pet patients
- Handling and maintaining surgical equipment, including setup, cleaning and sterilization
- Providing compassionate care duties including feeding and walking patients
- General hospital maintenance including cleaning kennels

What you have to gain

We develop and recognize high performing team members! Continuous learning opportunities at annual VCA conferences and industry leading customer service training through VCA's Client Experience Program are available!

We offer competitive compensation and great benefits for eligible employees, including medical/dental, generous personal pet care discounts and more!

VCA Canada Offers!

At our core are our people – people with different strengths and interests that enrich our diversity, innovation and excellence. A team we think of as family. When you join our family, VCA Canada offers:

- Exceptional career development
- Generous personal pet care discounts
- A network of highly educated and skilled professionals!!
- And more perks!

VCA Canada Cares!

At VCA Canada we don't see an animal, we see a family member. VCA Canada embraces a culture of giving back to the communities we serve and demonstrates this philosophy through our national philanthropic program, Paw it Forward. Please visit our website to learn more; www.careers.vcacanada.com.

Have a question? Email: Careers.canada@vca.com or to contact the hospital directly trilake@vca.com

Come join us caring for life's greatest companions!

For more information on who we are, what we do, Paw It Forward and opportunities with VCA Canada, please visit us online at vcacanada.com or <https://vcacanada.com/trilake/> or call 1-250-766-3236 and we would be delighted to talk to you about the positions available.

VCA Canada is committed to providing an inclusive and diverse workplace and is an equal opportunity employer. If you require any assistance please let us know.

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August 10, 2020

Monica Stiller
Hospital Manager
VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre
Winfield, B.C V4V 1V5

Dear Monica Stiller:

Please consider my application for a veterinary technician assistant position at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre. Since I was a little girl, I knew I wanted a lifelong career with animals. I don't see working with animals as a job, rather I see it as a passion. I have grown up raising and breeding Saint Bernard puppies where I assisted with the dew-claw removal, the birth of the pups, microchipping and socializing and training of the puppies.

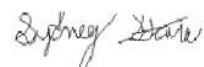
In 2014, I volunteered at a veterinary clinic in Brazil as well as volunteered at a Professional Championship Horse farm where I cared for and trained horses worth hundreds of thousands of dollars. In 2015, I was accepted into the Animal Health Technology program at TRU and in 2016, I completed the Animal Welfare Certificate Program at TRU where I received a final grade of 99%. In 2018, I was employed on weekends at a veterinary clinic while studying at university and later was accepted into the University of Queensland Veterinary School. As you can see from my enclosed resume, I have completed numerous animal certificates as well as started a Kennel and Dog grooming business during the summer months.

My previous experience working in veterinary clinics in Canada, Australia, and Brazil has allowed me to develop compassion and loving care to the animals. I can remain calm in any given situation and to give dedication and take initiative each day.

I have worked extremely hard to develop the skills, qualifications and experience needed to be an outstanding veterinary technician assistant. My excellent interpersonal skills and my passion for animals have prepared me to work in a team-based setting and to communicate professionally concerning the owner and their pets.

If my work experience meets your needs, please contact me at 250-446-2400. I look forward to working with you and your team.

Sincerely,



Sydney Storie

Encl. Resume

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Objective Veterinary Technician Assistant with opportunity for advancement.

Animal Nursing and Caring Skills

Learned how to care, feed, exercise, and groom many animals from cattle, dogs, llamas, horses, pigs, cats from a young age.

I have raised and bred Saint Bernard's. I assisted in dew-claw removals, the birth of the pups, microchipping and socializing and training of the puppies.

Cared for sick calves with pneumonia and cryptosporidium.

Surgical Skills

I have participated in surgeries due to living in a rural area where vet access was not available.

I have been a veterinary assistant in spays and neuters, fractures and rod replacements.

I have done farrier services and routinely attended house calls with veterinarians.

I can administer drugs, shots, take blood, and x-rays.

Education

Currently attending the University of British Columbia - B.A., Major in Psychology – September 2016 to November 2020.

University of British Columbia Go Global Exchange to the University of New South Wales – 2019.

Thompson Rivers University Women in Trades Training (WITT) – January to May 2016.

Thompson Rivers University Animal Welfare Certificate Program achieving a final grade of 99% - September 2015 to April 2016.

Employment

Veterinary assistant (part-time, summers 2014-2017) - Grand Forks Central Veterinary Services.

Veterinary assistant (part-time, summers 2018-2020) - Kettle River Veterinary Services.

Dog grooming & Boarding. Home business during summer months (2016-2020) -

Kennels on the Kettle.

Pharmacy Technician (part-time, 2015-2020) - Boundary Pharmacy.

Volunteer Work Experience

Volunteered at a veterinary clinic in Brasil (assisted in surgeries, giving medications, x-rays, house calls) – 2013 and 2014.

Volunteered at various horse farms including championship horses – 2013 and 2014.

Assisted in breeding and raising Registered Saint Bernard dogs (microchipping and dewclaw removal) – 2012 to 2017.

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Certificates

Animal Welfare Certificate
Pet Nutrition Certificate
Animal Care Certificate
Animal Psychology Certificate
Veterinary support Certificate
Animal Grooming Certificate
Animal Training and Pet Sitting Certificate
Blue Creek Outfitting certificate-horse training camp

Interests

Languages and Travel

I love to travel, I have visited many parts of the world including Europe, North America, South America, Panama, and Australia.

I can speak fluent Portuguese as well as understand a little French and Spanish.

Athletics

Soccer, volleyball, basketball, hockey, golf, horseback riding, skiing and snowboarding.

References Available on request.

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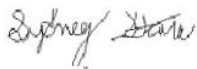
Dear Dr. Ruth Sims,

I hope all is well at Kettle River Veterinary Services. I am applying for a veterinary technician assistant position at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre. As you are aware, this has been a veterinary hospital I admire greatly, and I am well-suited for the available position as I have the necessary credentials and experience. I am writing to kindly ask you for a letter of reference for my application as a veterinary technician assistant at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre.

It has been an absolute pleasure working alongside you as a veterinary technician at Kettle River Veterinary Services. I have learned life-long experiences and have developed stronger practical, surgical, and communication skills throughout the past 3 years. In particular, I valued attending the rural house calls combined with the large animal experience as this is not something that most clinics offer.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my letter. I would be appreciative if you could take the time to provide me with a letter of reference to enhance my application. I have enclosed my resume online for your reference. If possible, please email the letter of reference to s.storie@alumni.ubc.ca before August 16, 2020.

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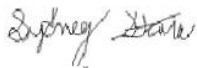
Dear Dr. Carol Sholtz,

I hope all is well at Grand Forks Central Veterinary Services. I am applying for a veterinary technician assistant position at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre. As you are aware, this has been a veterinary hospital I admire greatly, and I am well-suited for the available position as I have the necessary credentials and experience. I am writing to kindly ask you for a letter of reference for my application as a veterinary technician assistant at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre.

It has been an absolute pleasure working alongside you as a veterinary technician at Grand Forks Central Veterinary Services. I have learned the necessary skills needed to be comfortable and to remain calm while in an ER setting. Over the past couple of years, I have valued your empathy towards patients and their pets as well as I have admired the skills you have put forward in thoroughly training me as a veterinary technician.

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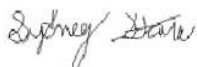
Dear Dr. Cris Bennet,

I hope all is well at Boundary Pharmacy. I am applying for a veterinary technician assistant position at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre. As you are aware, this has been a veterinary hospital I admire greatly, and I am well-suited for the available position as I have the necessary credentials and experience. I am writing to kindly ask you for a letter of reference for my application as a veterinary technician assistant at VCA Canada Tri Lake Animal Hospital & Referral Centre.

It has been an absolute pleasure working alongside you as a pharmacy technician at Boundary Pharmacy. I have learned the necessary skills needed to be comfortable counting, filling, administering and prescribing medications to clients. Working with you has given me the knowledge behind different drugs and prescription medications, this is essential for a veterinary technician job. I appreciate the time you spent with me describing the dosage of drugs, the different types of medications and their side effects, as well as how to communicate professionally to clients regarding their prescription needs.

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