



The Village Vet – Vet Nurse Position

About You:

At The Village Vet, we believe that excellent patient care starts with looking after our people. We're looking for a veterinary nurse who wants to be part of a supportive, collaborative team where you'll feel valued every day. We're looking for -

- An ability to manage and prioritise tasks effectively.
- Great communication skills and ability to work within a team environment.
- Willingness to learn and have a 'can do' attitude.
- Reception duties, including being the first point of contact for clients, handling client enquiries in person and over the phone, scheduling appointments, managing client accounts, admitting and discharging patients.

Why join us?

- **Strong support network:** You'll never feel like you're on your own. Our vets and nurses work side by side, and we invest in helping each other grow.
- **Work-life balance:** No after-hours. Shared Saturday mornings on rotation. We want you to have time for yourself, your family, and your life outside work.
- **Great culture:** We're a locally owned, close-knit clinic that values kindness, respect, and teamwork. We take care of each other as much as we take care of our patients.
- **Always learning:** Whether you are newly qualified or experienced, we encourage ongoing development. You will be exposed to varied cases and supported to keep building your skills.

About the role:

- Full time/ part time qualified or experienced veterinary nurse (Cert IV preferred but not essential).
- Someone who enjoys being part of a team and contributing to a positive workplace.
- A love of animals and a commitment to high standards of care.
- Maintaining the overall hygiene of the practice, including surgical areas and equipment.

- Completing general practice nursing tasks, including pre- and post-operative care, in-house pathology (blood testing, urinalysis), caring for hospitalised patients.
- Reception duties on a rotating basis - including talking to clients/ discussing patients over the telephone and in person, scheduling appointments, admitting and discharging patients
- We offer nurse consults including Cartrophen injections, Cytopoint injections, weight clinics etc.
- Assisting with radiography and ultrasonography.

Excellent Standards:

The Village Vet in Downer, Canberra is a purpose built, modern, 6-year-old clinic with a loyal clientele base located within the trendy Inner North of Canberra. We are locally owned and not associated with a corporate company. We have wonderful clients who are keen to pursue full diagnostics to work up their pets' medical or surgical conditions.

- We have a fully comprehensive onsite Heska laboratory suite - including a haematology, biochemistry, urinalysis machine, EPOC emergency blood gases and an excellent, fully serviced Binocular Microscope.
- We have Advanced Multi-Parameter monitoring equipment including Doppler Blood Pressure monitor, Bair Huggers, Capnographs etc.
- We use a top of the range IM3 Dental Scaler & Polisher unit and have a mobile Digital Radiography for our dental procedures.
- The clinic has a purpose-built radiography & ultrasound room including digital CR radiographic facilities and a recently acquired ultrasound machine.
- We are a registered member of the Animal Poisons Centre with easy access to a large database of poisons allowing us to immediately treat toxicity cases.

Our Staff:

- We have 6 qualified Veterinary Nurses and 2 dedicated receptionists who are caring, supportive and are an amazing team.
- We have 6 Vets all of whom have special interests including – soft tissue surgery, dermatology, feline & canine medicine, imaging – ultrasound etc.
- We encourage our Vet Nurses to be pro-active, place i/v lines, take blood, contribute to the hospital.
- We share 1 in 4 Saturday mornings only working 9am – 1pm.
- We have no after hours, as we are fortunate that Canberra has 2 fantastic emergency / overnight clinics.
- We run Puppy Preschool weekly.
- We have access to an EAP (Employee Assistance Program) service if you are needing any extra support.

- We are part of the local co-operative the [Capital Paws Group](#) and share resources and social events between local Canberra clinics. This is a wonderful way to meet other like-minded individuals working at other veterinary clinics across Canberra.
- Capital Paws Group also runs specific veterinary nurse training and we have a fully funded vet nurse management course available to the right person too.
- Interested in volunteering? Our group support has the opportunity to visit Utopia, NT each year to provide veterinary help to the local indigenous communities in the '[Indigenous Dog Health Initiative](#).' Ask us how you too can become involved.
- We promote a 'caring with kindness' philosophy within our staff and excellent staff culture is paramount for us.

We offer:

- Special interests.
- Caring, supporting and mentoring to all our staff.
- Work-life balance – want to work part time or flexible hours? No problem.
- Flexible roster, 4 day working week for full time staff.
- CPD encouraged.
- We encourage VNCA membership and provide contributions for this.
- Competitive salary.
- Four weeks' annual leave.
- Specific veterinary nurse training sessions.
- Career growth.
- Regular staff 'lunch and learn' sessions.
- Free parking.

Our location:

Downer is in the stylish Inner North of Canberra. An extremely popular place to live and work. We are located next to the trendy [Gang Gang Café](#). Canberra is a diverse and cultural centre with a great mix of city and rural living. There is a thriving café scene and a great night life. We are close to the NSW coast for weekends away, the snow fields are 2 and a half hours drive and there are plenty of interesting day trips to explore the local region. Canberra is a very family friendly city; it has minimal traffic, plenty of outdoor areas and interest groups to entertain you on the evenings and weekends. Click [here](#) for more information.

Contact Us:

If you want to be part of a clinic where support, balance, and learning really matter, we would love to hear from you. **Apply now** by sending your CV and cover letter to hello@thevillagevet.co or call Dr. Kimberley Godwin on 0405 225 326.

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