

## **Mentors for Veterinary Technology Distance Students**

As a mentor for our student in the Distance Education Program you will be interested in the information contained in this packet, and should review it carefully with your student as soon as possible.

For laboratory courses in the Program the student will be learning skills in the workplace. Enclosed you will find a list of skills for each lab course.

Important points to note:

- Students are expected to learn and practice all the essential skills in a given course during the semester when they take it.
- You and the student should review the skill list prior to the start of the semester and identify any skills that cannot be learned in your hospital.
- The student is responsible for finding other hospitals or veterinarians who will agree to teach the skills you cannot do. We appreciate any help you can provide them in making introductions to colleagues.
- Occasionally you may encounter a skill on a skills list that you do not presently perform in your hospital, or that is performed in a way that is different than the way taught in the course. This is all part of our student's learning process. The potential benefits to you and your practice include new skills, knowledge and problem-solving abilities for your staff.

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