

St Petersburg College Veterinary Nursing Program

This is to certify that _____ has worked/observed in my clinic _____ hours (minimum of 40 hours required) within the past 2 years. We have discussed the following items:

- Anticipated wages for a registered veterinary nurse
- Working hours for a veterinary nurse
- Benefits: vacation, continuing education allowance, uniform allowance
- Rewards of being a veterinary nurse
- Challenges associated with being a veterinary nurse

In addition, he/she has observed the following:

- Observation of minor surgical procedures:
 - Abscess drainage, laceration repair
- Observation of major surgical procedures – large or small animal
 - Small animal – castration, ovariohysterectomy
 - Large animal – C-section, displaced abomasum
- Observation of dental prophylaxis procedures
- Observation of the nurse's role in:
 - Anesthesia
 - Surgical assisting
 - Sample collection
- Office procedures:
 - Appointment scheduling, invoice preparation, cash management
- Client interaction:
 - History taking, client education
- Kennel or stall clean-up
- Animal medicating
- Euthanasia, if possible
- Instrument clean-up
- Laboratory procedures:
 - Parasitology, hematology, serology
- Miscellaneous procedures:
 - Anal sac expression, ear cleaning

Signature of veterinarian

Signature of applicant

Please mail completed form to:
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