

Owen Fitzgerald

Veterinary Nurse

Veterinary nurse with 4 years of hands-on nursing care for dogs, cats and exotic pets in busy New York City hospitals. Handles fluid therapy, wound care, pain scoring and drug calculations for hospitalized patients, plus anesthesia monitoring on surgery days. New York LVT with clear communication skills for owners at discharge.

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EXPERIENCE

Veterinary Nurse

01/2024 - Present

Prospect Park Animal Medical Center

Brooklyn, NY

Five-doctor hospital with an in-patient ward, surgery and an exotic animal service.

- Deliver nursing care for up to 14 hospitalized patients a shift, including fluid therapy, feeding tubes and wound care.
- Calculate drug doses and constant-rate infusions and double-check each with the doctor before giving them.
- Monitor anesthesia for 8 surgeries a week, including rabbits, guinea pigs and ferrets.
- Record pain scores every 4 hours with the Colorado State scale and adjust pain medication per doctor orders.

Veterinary Technician

06/2022 - 12/2023

Ditmars Animal Clinic

Queens, NY

Two-doctor general practice for dogs, cats and small mammals.

- Performed venipuncture and urine collection for 25 lab samples a day and ran in-house tests.
- Produced about 20 diagnostic radiographs a week and kept the radiation exposure log current.
- Discharged 15 patients a day, covering medications, home care and recheck dates as part of client education.
- Handled exotic animal care for rabbits and birds, including weight checks, nail trims and syringe feeding.

Veterinary Assistant

09/2020 - 05/2022

Sunnyside Pet Hospital

Queens, NY

Part-time role while completing a veterinary technology degree.

- Positioned about 25 patients a day for exams, vaccines and nail trims using low-stress handling.
- Fed and medicated up to 10 hospitalized patients a shift and charted each treatment.
- Answered 50+ client calls a day and booked appointments for 3 doctors.



SKILLS

Nursing Care
Fluid Therapy
Wound Care
Pain Scoring
Drug Calculations
Anesthesia Monitoring
Venipuncture
Exotic Animal Care
Client Education
Communication Skills



EDUCATION

Associate in Applied Science

05/2022

LaGuardia Community College

Long Island City, NY

Veterinary Technology



CERTIFICATES

Licensed Veterinary Technician (LVT)

08/2022

New York State Education Department

Fear Free Certified Professional

05/2023

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