

# **Veterinary Paraprofessional/Technician**

## **Job description**

### **Technical duties:**

- Work closely with veterinarian in regards to evolving medical and technical needs
- Assist with medical procedures as required
- Assist with necropsy as required
- Assist with sedation and anesthesia procedures - must be experienced in veterinary technical skills such as placing IV catheters, monitoring anesthesia, blood draws, administering basic medical treatments under direction of the veterinarian

### **Cub keeper duties:**

- Overall care and training of cheetah cubs
- Medical training of cheetah cubs to enable voluntary participation in medical procedures such blood draws, x-rays and movement of transfer via crates to reduce stress and risks of unnecessary sedations.
- In conjunction with the veterinarian, managing evolving cub diets and nutrition as per protocol.
- Ability to work closely with locally trained cheetah keeper and staff
- Data entry of feed logs, weights etc into electronic medical database (Zims species 360)

### **Clinic duties:**

- Care of sick cheetahs residing at the clinic
- Managing the smooth operations of the day to day business of the clinic
- Timely ordering of stores both locally and from overseas.
- Managing inventory
- Managing the cleanliness of the clinic
- Minuting meetings
- Working alongside vet to ensure all handwritten medical records (ie medication prescriptions) are kept up to date in electronic medical database (ZIMS Species 360)

### **Essential:**

- **Vet tech/nurse or experienced vet assistant**
- **Direct cat/dog experience (Wildlife experience desired)**
- **Excellent grasp of English language**
- **Able to take direction well**
- **Able to work within a diverse team environment**
- **Mature, communicative, flexible to changing plans/conditions**
- **Data entry experience: Word, Excel, Google drive, Data management systems**
- **Ability to train local staff and students**

**Reporting to Veterinarian, Head Keeper and Country Manager**

