

Langford Veterinary Services

Job Description

Job Title: Orthopaedic Surgery Intern

Reports To: Kevin Parsons

Job Purpose:

You will be involved in the care, management and investigation of patients presenting through the referral orthopaedic service. You will also be involved in assisting with the smooth running of the service. This will include admitting patients, scheduling imaging and sedating patients.

Normal working hours will be 8am to 5.30pm however this will vary depending on case load. You will be responsible for a revisit clinic.

Principal Accountabilities:-

The role will include the following duties

- Full involvement with the smooth running of the orthopaedic rotation
- Assistance with orthopaedic sedations (working and liaising with the sedation nurses and rotational intern)
- Where necessary performing anaesthesia for orthopaedic procedures
- Development of a revisit clinic (under the supervision of a senior clinician) – This will involve admitting, sedating and discharging patients
- Ensuring effective communication with referring vets and owners
- Assisting with any clinical trials and collating completed LOAD questionnaires (e.g. forceplate data collection)
- Responsible for contributing hip replacement cases to BVOA hip registry
- Assisting with admitting cases for surgery
- Discharging cases to owners
- Assisting with form filling and general organisation of the clinic
- Admission of emergency cases as necessary
- Surgical assistant - Preparing cases for surgery – e.g. draping and getting instruments out ready for the surgeon
- Filtering the advice calls, following up on cases where x-rays have not come through and redirecting calls to the right service (e.g. neurology)
- Active contribution to student assessment and feedback
- Collating and producing discharge instruction template letters and case reports for common clinical case presentations
- Producing and updating client information sheets for common orthopaedic conditions
- The role will involve some out of hours responsibilities (not more than 1:4) the frequency of which will vary over the year. This is unlikely to be a regular commitment but will be to cover business needs.
- Responsible for keeping themselves and others safe, reporting accidents, near misses and hazards and adhering to health and safety requirements and policies as required by the business/their line manager.
- Proactively identify and act upon opportunities for business improvement. Openly identify and discuss problems in order to implement and sustain improvements that increase the value we deliver to our, clients, employees, and students.

Person Specification

The experience, qualifications, skills and abilities outlined below provide a summary of what is required to carry out this job effectively.

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Relevant experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">• More than 1 year working as veterinary surgeon Worked in a teaching hospital	Y	Y
Relevant Qualifications <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MRCVS	Y	
Aptitude, skills and abilities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent client communication• Good team player• Good organisational and prioritisation skills	Y Y Y	
Additional Criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eligible to work in UK	Y	

I understand and agree the principle accountabilities of my job description.

Sign:

Date: