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Education

University of Pittsburgh

BS in Biological Sciences, Chemistry Minor

Cornell Veterinary Nursing Series Participant

Certificate in the Conceptual Foundations of Medicine

Certified in Canine and Feline CPR/First Aid

Pittsburgh, PA

December 2017

March-November 2022

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May 2014

Honors and Awards

- 2021 - Photograph published on the cover of The Weimaraner Club of America's July national magazine
- 2020 - Two time recipient of MedVet Pittsburgh's quarterly award recognizing exceptional patient care
- 2014 - United States Dressage Federation (USDF) Bronze Medalist
- 2014 - Western Pennsylvania Dressage Association Third Level Jr/Yr High Point Champion
- 2013 - Featured in Warmbloods Today March/April national magazine
- 2013 - Willy Arts Grant Recipient, awarded by the North American Dutch Warmblood Association
- 2013 - Second Level North American KWPN Jr/Yr Reserve Champion
- 2012 - First Level North American KWPN Jr/Yr Champion
- 2012 - USDF GAIG First Level Jr/Yr Region 8 Champion
- 2012 - USDF GAIG Training Level Jr/Yr Region 8 Champion
- 2010 - USDF Arts Contest: First Place

Clinical Experience

MedVet Pittsburgh

Nursing Clinical Supervisor

- Directly manages the hospital's Nursing Team and oversees the daily workflow within the Emergency Department.
- Responsible for the critical care and monitoring of an average of twenty inpatients residing in the ICU and isolation wards.
- Serves as a member of the hospital's Training Committee, offering mentorship to new team members, presenting lectures for in-hospital continuing education, and developing training plans to advance the clinical team's skill set.
- Senior level technician, with proficiency in IV catheter placement, cystocentesis, nasogastric tube placement, male and female canine urinary catheter placement, nasal cannula placement, chest tube care, blood product transfusions, and general anesthesia.
- Developed hospital SOPs to maintain uniform patient care, detailed medical records and optimized workflow.
- Coordinates supply purchases for the ICU and worked to advance revenue within the Nursing Department, reducing departmental billing errors by 25.5% over ten months.

McMurray, PA

October 2019-Present

Pittsburgh Veterinary Cardiology

Veterinary Assistant

- Conducted diagnostic procedures, utilizing phlebotomy, radiography, ultrasonography, cytology, and electrocardiograms.
- Developed a strong foundation in the assessment of vital parameters, identification of cardiac arrhythmias, and the implementation of cardiac drugs.
- Collaborated with a team of eleven specialty departments to complete diagnostics and enact treatment plans.

Pittsburgh, PA

April 2019-October 2019

The National Aviary*Veterinary Technician***Pittsburgh, PA**

March 2018-March 2019

- Primary technician responsible for the weekly treatment and assessment of patients with chronic pododermatitis.
- Created a custom wrap for a patient with chronic conformational abnormalities, reducing edema/crepitus of the patient's hocks.
- Collaborated with the associate veterinarian to produce a 3D-printed wheelchair for a disabled chicken.
- Triaged an average of ten critical emergencies a week, with a successful release rate of 96%.

Hospital Intern

July 2017-March 2018

- Handled 150+ avian species for tests, treatments, examinations, and surgical procedures.
- Developed an individualized grooming and enrichment schedule for eighteen permanent hospital residents.

Volunteer Work**The Greater Pittsburgh Tracking Club**

(2018-2020)

- Developed and conducted the club's annual fall photography fundraiser.

Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association

(2019)

- Session moderator for the Three Rivers Veterinary Symposium.
- Introduced conference speakers, maintained attendance and ensured lectures adhered to daily schedule.

The University of Pittsburgh's Animal Lovers Club*Vice President*

(2014-2017)

- Organized the club's annual winter blanket drive, collecting over 200 blankets annually for local humane societies.
- Coordinated the club's annual spring dog treat bake sale, benefitting the U.S. War Dog's Association.
- Planned and executed the club's annual trip to the Pittsburgh Zoo for "behind the scenes" tours and animal encounters.

Western Pennsylvania Dressage Association

(2014-2016)

- Editorial designer for the monthly newsletter.

Fluffy Jean Fund's Mobile Spay and Neuter Clinic Volunteer

(2009)

- Monitored cats recovering from anesthesia and assembled surgical packages.

Affiliations

The National Society of Leadership and Success (2014-Present)

The United States Dressage Federation (2009-Present)

The United States Equestrian Federation (2009-Present)