



Veterinary Technology Observation Form

A requirement for application to the Veterinary Technology Program at Volunteer State Community College is 20 hours of observation, volunteer service, and/or work under the supervision of a veterinarian or licensed veterinary medical technician. The total time does not have to occur at one facility. Please use one form for each site.

Below is a Letter to Practitioners to explain the program and the purpose of the observation.

Student name: _____

The above student has completed _____ hours /months /years (**circle one**) of experience at this facility.

Select the type of experience:

- Observation
- Volunteer service
- Work (select only if this is your place of employment)

Name of Clinic: _____

Date

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Veterinarian or Technician

This form is to be submitted with the Veterinary Technology application



Dear Practitioner,

Volunteer State Community College has an AVMA accredited Veterinary Technician Program. This is a two year competitive AAS degree. Students must apply in the Fall semester for one of the 24 Spring semester openings. As part the application, students must complete 20 hours of observation in a veterinary facility. We want them to see what technicians actually do. They need to know it is not all cuddling puppies and kittens.

Please consider allowing students the opportunity to observe your practice. They do not need to do anything, just watch. We want them to see the good, the bad, and the ugly. We just ask that you complete one of our observation forms for them. Just stating the number of hours they observed at your practice. Students do not need to do all the hours in one location, so any amount of time you can allow would be appreciated.

With Tennessee Promise in full swing, we will have about a hundred freshman interested in a veterinary career this summer alone. The observation hours may be the first time many of them have ever been exposed to animals beyond owning one. This experience will help students define their future. You may even have some asking you the difference between veterinarian and the veterinary technician's responsibilities. I hope you will find the time to help them.

If you have any questions about the program, please do not hesitate to call or email me.

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