



## Langford Veterinary Services Ltd

### Job Description

Job Title: Oncology Nurse  
Reports To: Assistant Nursing Manager

#### **Job Purpose:**

The main purpose of the post is to be responsible for organising the clinical activities and the in-patient caseload within the Oncology Department. This will include owner visits and discharge appointments, triage of advice calls, attending in-patient rounds, assisting with procedures and maintaining equipment. The job holder will also be responsible for the development and running of clinics, to include re-check appointments and chemotherapy visits. They will also assist with co-ordinating and collecting data for research projects.

#### **Principal Accountabilities:**

- Communication with owners regarding in-patients as appropriate, to include liaison with the nursing team and arranging owner visits.
- Triage of advice calls, to include answering simple queries, managing client expectations and acquiring appropriate information to forward to the oncology team.
- Routine discharge appointments, to include instructions/advice on likely side effects of medications, clinical responses, need for monitoring tests (blood tests and urine tests)
- Maintenance of fume hood, assist in drug and equipment re-ordering and maintain adequate stock levels
- Assisting oncologists as appropriate, to include setting up for biopsies (needle, trucut, bone marrow) sedating patients for diagnostic imaging, arranging appropriate recovery/on-going care
- Co-ordination and data collection for research projects, and liaison with other relevant staff and departments for the transfer of patients/joint projects
- Assessment and supervision of BVSc and VNPA undergraduates during clinical rotations. To include undertaking the role of Clinical Coach if deemed appropriate.

- Provision of CPD for internal and external nurses, to include webinars and presentations
- Maintaining a good working relationship with all team members.
- Communicating in an effective and pleasant manner with clients and colleagues
- Carry out all other reasonable duties as requested by the line manager.
- Ensuring standard operating protocols (SOP's) for the area are available, relevant and up to date.

## Person Specification

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

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
<p><b>Relevant experience, Skills and Knowledge</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registered and clinically experienced Veterinary Nurse                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Minimum of 12 months working as a VN in clinical practice</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Experience of working within a referral environment</li> <li>• Able to carry out veterinary nursing duties as listed above</li> </ul>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p><b>Relevant Qualifications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RCVS Listed Veterinary Nurse</li> <li>• Advanced Diploma or similar</li> <li>• Clinical coach or similar</li> </ul>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p><b>Communication and Interpersonal Skills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicating effectively with clients</li> <li>• Ability to work within a team</li> <li>• Ability to act independently</li> </ul>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	
<p><b>Additional Criteria</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flexible approach to work</li> <li>• Interest in advancing own qualifications</li> <li>• Eligibility to work in the UK</li> </ul>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>Yes</p>