



Shelter Veterinarian – Cats Only.

Job Relationships:	Reports to Senior Director and serves as a member of the leadership team of the organization.
Job Summary:	Provides medical care for all shelter cats from intake through post-adoption. Performs physical exams, dispenses medications, and makes recommendations for outsourced diagnostics and procedures. Ensures that all shelter cats are adopted in great physical and emotional health. Works with the Shelter Manager and her staff on designing and implementing processes that facilitate comfort and ease of transition to a home environment.

Responsibilities:

- Have respect for and willingness to work with shelter staff and all types of cats and kittens and a commitment to practicing the highest standard of medicine, upholding the veterinary code of ethics.
- Perform physical examinations and diagnostic/medical procedures in a way that will deliver the highest quality care while minimizing patient stress and discomfort and must be able to explain physical examination findings and communicate to the staff a diagnosis of the animal's problems and must generate and present a treatment plan for the animal.
- Develop and administer disease prevention for shelter animals which can encompass traditional medical practices such as vaccination, parasite control, and nutrition as well as areas less commonly considered such as air quality, facility design, enrichment, stress reduction and management of population density.
- May be asked to serve as a resource to assist Shelter Manager with protocols for sanitary measures, feeding, disease prevention and general care to promote quality healthcare for the animals.
- Assist in planning, organizing and implementing programs, including emergency preparedness and evacuation plans.
- Assist in creating Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).
- Authority to make medical decisions related to the care of shelter animals.
- Conduct and oversee exams for foster cats, hospice cats, and mature companion program cats.
- Attend staff meetings.
- Ascribe to the no-kill philosophy of SAFE Haven for Cats.
- Other duties as assigned.



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Qualifications & Preferences:

- Licensed in North Carolina to practice veterinary medicine (DVM in good standing).
- DEA license.
- Experience in a shelter environment.
- Awareness of Fear Free Shelter principles.
- Membership in the Association of Feline Practitioners (preference).

Physical Demands:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit; use hands and fingers; and talk or hear. The employee is frequently required to reach with hands and arms and is required to stand; walk and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 40 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision and ability to adjust focus.

Work Environment:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. The noise level in the work environment can be above average.

Other Information:

- EOE – SAFE Haven for Cats and SAFE Care Feline Spay/Neuter Clinic are equal opportunity employers – minority/female/veteran/disability.
- The position is located in Raleigh, NC.
- Hours of operation - typically 8 am to 5 pm (Mon thru Fri)
- Some evening and weekend work may be required.
- Salary range – negotiable