



Certified Veterinary Technician – Anesthesia & Surgery

Love surgery? Thrive in anesthesia? Want your skills respected and used every day?

Veterinary Surgery Specialists (VSS) is seeking a dedicated **Certified Veterinary Technician (CVT)** to join our experienced and collaborative **Anesthesia & Surgery team** in the greater Milwaukee area.

At VSS, we believe exceptional patient care starts with a supported, well-trained team. We are a state-of-the-art specialty practice offering advanced surgical procedures, modern equipment, and a culture that values teamwork, professionalism, and continuous learning. If you're passionate about surgical medicine and want a predictable schedule with no weekends or holidays, this may be the perfect fit.

About the Role

As a **Veterinary Anesthesia & Surgery Technician**, you will play a critical role in patient safety, surgical success, and client communication. This is a hands-on, fast-paced position ideal for a CVT who enjoys anesthesia, surgical preparation, and direct involvement in complex cases.

You'll work closely with surgeons, technicians, and support staff to ensure every patient receives exceptional care—from admission through recovery.

What You'll Do

Patient & Client Care

- Conduct patient intake and assist with surgical appointments
- Obtain and review patient histories, bloodwork, and imaging
- Communicate findings with surgeons and document medical records accurately
- Perform venipuncture and run in-house pre-operative lab work
- Conduct post-operative follow-up calls and assist with patient rechecks (including radiographs, suture/staple removal, and minor wound care)
- Review discharge instructions and medications with pet owners

Anesthesia & Surgical Support

- Place IV catheters and administer anesthetic medications
- Intubate and extubate patients
- Operate and maintain anesthesia and monitoring equipment
- Monitor anesthesia (HR, BP, SpO₂, ETCO₂, temperature) and maintain detailed records
- Troubleshoot anesthesia and surgical equipment as needed
- Maintain accurate controlled drug logs
- Assist with patient clipping, preparation, and draping
- Scrub in to assist during surgery (training provided)
- Recover and closely monitor patients post-anesthesia

Clinical & Hospital Support

- Obtain pre- and post-operative radiographs
- Clean and prepare patients post-operatively
- Perform treatments, assist with patient mobility, and provide comfort care
- Clean and disinfect surgical suites and common areas
- Process surgical instruments and packs using ultrasonic cleaners, autoclaves, plasma, and gas sterilizers
- Maintain inventory and surgical supplies
- Prepare lab samples, referral documentation, and medical forms
- Assist with urgent or add-on surgical cases as needed
- Cross-train to support additional hospital functions

- Participate in CPR codes and ongoing clinical training

Schedule & Work-Life Balance

- **Monday–Thursday | 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM**
- **No weekends. No holidays.**
- Predictable schedule in a specialty setting

Qualifications

- Active **Certified Veterinary Technician (CVT)** license (or equivalent)
- Strong skills in anesthesia induction and monitoring, surgical preparation, venipuncture, IV catheter placement, and in-house diagnostics
- Ability to multitask, stay organized, and remain calm in a fast-paced environment
- Excellent communication skills and a team-oriented mindset
- Ability to safely lift and assist patients weighing 50–100+ lbs
- Willingness to pursue CPR certification and ongoing continuing education

Why You'll Love Working at VSS

We're committed to supporting our technicians just as much as our patients. Full-time team members are eligible for benefits after a 90-day introductory period, including:

- Competitive pay
- Medical, dental, and vision insurance
- Paid time off and holidays
- Continuing education opportunities for credentialed staff
- Uniform allowance
- Discounted pet care for employees
- Annual bonuses

Beyond benefits, VSS offers a professional environment where your skills are valued, your growth is encouraged, and your work truly makes a difference in the lives of pets and their families.