



Animal Welfare
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Veterinary Nurse

Short Part-time Contract- AWLQ Willawong Animal Rehoming Centre

Join us and make a difference!

Are you looking for a rewarding career? Animal Welfare League Queensland (AWLQ) is currently looking for a part time Veterinary Nurse (12 month maternity leave contract) to join our Willawong Animal Rehoming Centre in September! If you're passionate about making a direct impact on animal welfare, we'd love to talk to you.

How you'll impact our mission

Working in a Rehoming Centre, you will enjoy making a difference to the thousands of stray and homeless animals that come through our doors each year.

AWLQ promises to never euthanize a healthy, sociable or treatable animal in our care, this means we treat a wide variety of conditions on top of routine surgeries and procedures. Our team also gets to see animals they care for adopted in to new loving homes.

About the role

You will be joining a small team who work hard but always have time for a laugh. There aren't many quiet days due to the high number of animals needing AWLQ's help, but on the flip side there's no weekend work and very little after-hours.

The whole Rehoming Centre works as a team and you will work one-on-one with your vet to facilitate the efficient flow of animals through the clinic so they can go on to find their forever homes. Your "clients" are the amazing foster carers who take our animals into their homes to provide treatment and a loving home environment while they recover from illness or wait for surgery.

You will liaise with multiple staff, departments and foster carers on a daily basis so strong communication and interpersonal skills and the ability to multi-task are a must. You will have excellent time management and will complete your tasks with a strong attention to detail. You will be a team player and able to be flexible to the changing needs each work day presents.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist veterinarians with incoming animal health assessments
- Assist veterinarians with foster carer consultations & provision of treatments
- Prepare medications, communicate treatment plans to foster carers and shelter staff
- Assist in managing the clinic appointment calendar and surgery schedules
- Document all relevant health, treatment and behaviour information
- Perform and record pathology procedures
- Assist with basic daily animal care & cleaning processes

- Maintain clinic hygiene in accordance with policies & procedures & WHS requirements
- Knowledge, understanding and empathy for community animal health and welfare issues

What are the minimum requirements for this position?

- Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing or recognised equivalent
- Ideally 3+ years' vet nursing experience
- Excellent animal handling skills, experience with anxious animals in the clinic environment
- Experience in a busy, fast-paced work environment
- Good computer literacy, including Microsoft Office Suite
- Previous experience in a shelter/rescue environment will be highly regarded

To be successful in this role, you will have:

- Excellent Customer Service Skills
- Strong Interpersonal and Communication Skills
- Ability to manage your own time effectively and respectful of the time of others
- Completes tasks thoroughly with strong attention to detail within deadlines
- Versatility, flexibility and positivity

Who are we?

Founded in 1959, AWLQ has become a trusted leader in animal welfare. We provide a safe haven and second chance for close to 10,000 stray and homeless animals every year. To each one of these animals we welcome through our doors, a promise is made – to never euthanise a healthy, sociable, or treatable animal in our care. We work tirelessly every day to maintain this promise.

In addition to our shelter work, we are committed to keeping pets and people together by providing lifesaving support and resources to people in need with companion animals. We are known for our grassroots and innovative community-based animal welfare work including our community vet clinics, Getting to Zero, Golden Hearts Seniors' Support Program and the National Desexing Network.

Why should you join us?

At AWLQ we offer competitive pay and benefits, including access to an independent Employee Assistance Program, continued education opportunities, retail discounts, vet discounts. Most importantly, every day you'll play an instrumental role in our lifesaving work.

Our mission is to unleash the potential in every team, and we know that teams perform best when they have passion. We are committed to building a culture where everyone has the opportunity to do meaningful work and is recognised for their efforts.

Equity

Diversity and inclusion are the principles guiding how we build our teams, cultivate our leaders and build a culture of belonging where differences are valued.

Join us and make a difference!

Are you looking for a rewarding career? We value our people and the skills, experience, passion, and engagement they bring to the Willawong Rehoming Centre. If you're passionate about making a direct impact on animal welfare, we'd love to talk to you.

For more information please contact our HR Manager in confidence on 07 5509 9049 or if you're ready to apply, email your application to hr@awlqld.com.au

AWLQ would like to thank all applicants for applying. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.