

# VAC Self Assessment Questionnaire

This questionnaire will assist us in understanding your goals for this internship and level of experience working with animals.

**Name:**

**Date:**

**What is your major?**

**What year of your major are you in?**

**Goals for your Internship:**

What prompted you to apply for a Vet Aide internship in the VMTH Small Animal Clinic?

What do you hope to gain from your internship?

Do you have special interests, particular things you would like to learn during your internship?

Do you have any special skills that would help you in a veterinary clinical setting?

**Animal Experience:**

What is your experience working with animals?

*Be specific; include species of animals, all animal handling, husbandry or other interactions, length of time and how often. If none, write N/A.*

What is your experience working in a veterinary setting? (Clinic, teaching hospital, emergency or specialty practice) *Be specific. What setting, list your primary duties and responsibilities, species worked with and length of time and how often. If none write N/A*

**Clinical Skills:**

**Rate your experience level for the following skills:**

**0 = No experience, 1 = Observed only, 2 = Some experience, 3 = Significant experience, 4 = Expert**

Auscultating the heart:

- Counting a heart rate:

Auscultating the lungs:

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- Counting a respiratory rate:

Assessing respiratory effort:

Palpating pulses:

- Apical:
- Femoral:
- Pedal:
- Digital:

Counting a pulse rate:

Taking a rectal temperature:

- Dog :
- Cat :

Using syringes and needles:

Obtaining correct dose or reconstituting medications:

Knowing core vaccines for dogs and cats:

Putting animals on a scale and recording weight:

- Dog:
- Cat:

Calculating kilograms to pounds:

Removing animals from a cage or run:

- Small dog/cat:
- Medium/large dog:

Restraining animals for:

- Physical exam:
  
- Vaccine administration:

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- Blood draw:
  - cephalic:
  - jugular:
  - lateral saphenous:
  - medial saphenous:
- Cystocentesis:
  - dorsal recumbency:
  - lateral recumbency:
- IV catheter placement:
  - cephalic:
  - lateral saphenous:

Answer to the best of your ability:

Please list 4 typical syringe sizes found in a small animal clinic:

Please list 4 typical needle sizes used in a small animal clinic:

What size syringe and needle would you choose for the following?

Blood samples

Need 5mls of blood from a small dog or cat:

Need 10mls of blood from a med to large dog:

Cystocentesis

Small Dog/cat: \_\_\_\_\_ml syringe w/\_\_\_\_g x \_\_\_\_\_ in. needle

Medium/large dog: \_\_\_\_\_ml syringe w/\_\_\_\_g x \_\_\_\_\_ in. needle

Vaccines:

Fine needle aspirate (FNA): \_\_\_\_\_ml syringe w/\_\_\_\_g x \_\_\_\_\_ in. needle

What type of sample tube would you choose - RTT (Red Top Tube), LTT (Lavender Top Tube – EDTA) – for the following samples:

CBC – Complete Blood Count:

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Small Animal Chemistry Panel: