

# Role Description:

## Volunteer RVN



**STREETVET**

StreetVet is a multi-award winning charity delivering free essential veterinary care and services to the pets of people experiencing homelessness in multiple locations around the UK. Our volunteers provide a vital role in helping us to deliver our support.

### What does the role involve?

- Supporting StreetVet volunteer vets to perform general health checks
- Restraining animals for examination
- Dispensing and administering medication at the direction of StreetVet volunteer vet including preventative care
- Packing up and sending off diagnostics including bloods & FNAs
- Educating owners for best practice pet care
- Providing provisions such as food and toys
- Writing up all clinical notes on our veterinary PMS
- Supporting managing stock

### Qualifications

Registered with RCVS as a practicing vet nurse.

### Skills required

Team work, collaboration, excellent communication skills, compassion and empathy

### Insurance

If you work in practice, most volunteers are able to use their practice professional indemnity insurance to cover StreetVet volunteering. You must ask your practice permission.

StreetVet have a statement from VDS providing reassurance to practices regarding allowing employees to use their VDS insurance. Please let us know if you need this.

If they are not able to extend your cover or you do not work in practice then StreetVet can add you to their cover. As an RVN StreetVet are able to add you to rolling cover.

### How often do I need to volunteer?

StreetVet are looking to find volunteers that are able to sign up long term. This enables you to get to know our patients and built up trust with their owners.

We ask that all volunteers attend an outreach at least once every 3 months.

### What do StreetVet provide in return?

#### Training

StreetVet offer onboarding specific to the outreach you will be volunteering with.

You will also have access to our volunteer portal which contains a detailed Volunteer Handbook as well as key policies to help you through your time volunteering with StreetVet.

We also provide GDPR and Safeguarding training, as well as access to a Mental Health First Aid training course.

#### Uniform

Once you have been on 3 outreaches you will be able to order a StreetVet uniform. This includes a t-shirt, hoodie and a choose of a beanie hat or a cap.

#### CPD

Volunteering with StreetVet counts towards your CPD. We also provide 35 hours of free CPD throughout the year including the 2 day annual StreetVet conference.

**If you would like to find out more about volunteering with StreetVet, please contact [volunteer@streetvet.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@streetvet.org.uk) for more information.**