

Position Vacant 2018

Department:	VET HOSPITAL
Job title:	VET NURSES – Casual
Applications open:	24 September 2018

National Trust - Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary (NT-CWS) is located on the Southern end of Gold Coast. We are the largest attraction within the National Trust of Australia (Queensland) portfolio and feature a vibrant and varied collection of Australian Wildlife and Non-Native Exotics located next to beautiful Currumbin beach. We are currently seeking a passionate and experienced Veterinary Nurse to join our team within the Currumbin Wildlife Hospital. The Hospital seeks to provide gold standard care to injured native local fauna and sanctuary animals. We are on show to members of the public who can view our surgical theatre and treatment areas. The Vet Hospital team see in excess of 10,000 wildlife cases a year and we aim to treat, rehabilitate and release as many of those animals as we can as a free service to the community.

Position details & duties

This is a casual position that requires the successful candidate(s) to be available for casual shifts on a regular basis and sometimes at short notice.

Pay rate and conditions are under the Amusements, Events & Recreation Award 2010, with the pay grade dependent upon level of experience and qualifications.

- Responsible for providing an exceptional standard of health monitoring, clinical nursing and husbandry care to the Hospitals native wildlife and exotic patients
- Demonstrate and undertake safe capture and restraint techniques of both native and exotic species
- Assist veterinarians during examinations and clinical/surgical procedures
- Undertake laboratory diagnostic procedures, including sample collection and storage
- Calculate, prepare and administer medications, including anaesthetics, under veterinary instruction
- Maintain veterinary medical and surgical equipment; keep associated maintenance records - reporting on issues as required
- Undertake associated administrative duties including recording and maintaining clinical treatment files, laboratory diagnostic test results and booking appointments
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to wildlife/exotic clinical nursing education
- Assist with the teaching of Clinical EMS, Veterinary Nursing/Tech students, and volunteers
- Liaise with carers, and members of the public with regards to the animals in your care
- Undertake media duties as may be required.

Selection Criteria:

1. Holds Certificate 4 of Veterinary Nursing or equivalent recognised qualification
2. Strong understanding, knowledge and practical clinical nursing skills of zoo, exotic & native wildlife species
3. Ideally 2 years' post qualification experience in the Veterinary industry with 1 or more of those years working (preferably exclusively) with wildlife and exotic species
4. Can demonstrate a highly flexible, cooperative and positive attitude
5. Has high level of time management and organisational skills with a genuine ability to multitask
6. Has a professional approach to duties and standard of personal presentation
7. Must be comfortable undertaking media tasks, tours of the hospital/presenting to small groups
8. Must have very capable computer skills
9. Can liaise and communicate in a friendly and effective manner with all key contacts including internal department staff, volunteers, external local community groups and associated veterinary contacts
10. A knowledge and understanding of the key elements of Currumbin Sanctuary Wildlife Hospital and Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary is desirable

How to Apply

Your application should include your resume plus a brief cover letter stating how you meet the Selection Criteria. Please email your application to this email address: employment@cws.org.au. Thank you.