



# National Veterinary Technician Week

## MAKE A POSTER

Please check with your association to ensure content applies to your province. This is a very basic template and is meant to educate the public.

☺ Plan to decorate the waiting room with NVTW materials  
Instruction sheet and supplied needed for making a NVTW Poster

1. A large piece of poster board
2. Scissors
3. Adhesive glue stick or double sided adhesive tape
4. Wording for the poster
5. 5 - 10 action pictures of you at work. They should correspond to the descriptions provided
6. About 20-30 minutes to paste the descriptions and corresponding pictures to the poster

### Instructions for Assembling Poster

1. Find the wording for the placard. Each section for the poster will be in a separate box.
2. Cut each square out, be careful to cut outside the dark lines.
3. Select pictures that correspond to the descriptions provided on the wording sheet.  
Have fun with the pictures
4. You can put a contrasting color under each picture to frame it giving your poster depth, but it is not necessary.
5. Hang your poster in the reception area for clients to read while they wait.

FOLLOWING ARE CUTOUTS FOR THE POSTER.  
The cutouts can be sized and printed out to suit.



# Celebrating National Veterinary Technician Week

Did you know there is a graduate Veterinary Technician on staff? Did you know they have their very own recognized week? The third week of October is National Veterinary Technician Week!

Veterinary Technicians have graduated from a recognized program that trains technicians. After graduation, the veterinary technician is required to have taken and passed a credentialing exam in order to practice in a veterinary clinic.

Their duties within a veterinary practice vary but most consist of:

## Pathology/Lab Skills

- ◆ Obtaining samples and analyzing laboratory tests. Including but not limited to Complete Blood Counts, Parasite checks, Heartworm tests, Serology tests and Blood Chemistry tests. Some hospitals also conduct microbiology tests.

## Nursing/Anesthesia

- ◆ Administering injections and drawing blood samples
- ◆ Preparing patients for surgery, including administering and monitoring anesthesia
- ◆ Performing dental prophylaxis

## Hospital Management/Client Relations

- ◆ Assisting in exam rooms; includes taking a complete history and performing a physical exam.
- ◆ Educating clients on a variety of topics such as behavior and dietary needs

## Pharmacology

- ◆ Preparing and administering medications as directed by the veterinarian.

## Radiology

- ◆ Taking and developing radiographs.

Please take a moment and thank these hard working individuals who care for your animals.