



### Veterinary Internal Medicine Specialist

#### Summary:

The internist provides medical care for incoming internal medicine referrals and patients transferred to the internal medicine service from other in hospital services. She/He also provides consultations to ER/CC staff and to other services on patients who have multiple problems. The internist will review records, formulate diagnostic and treatment plans, and communicate fully and completely with referral veterinarians, in house veterinarians on each service, and veterinary technical staff to provide seamless care for patients.

#### Essential Job Functions:

- Communicate fully and promptly with referring veterinarians on cases referred to the internal medicine service. Most of this communication will be through detailed referral letters and progress reports.
- Communicate at least daily with clients with animals in the hospital – this includes updating financial estimates daily either directly or using veterinary staff
- Communicate accurately and clearly with all clients about diagnostics, treatments, and costs associated with patient care
- Complete accurate medical records in SOAP format with treatment plans on all animals seen before leaving at the end of the shift
- Provide accurate case summaries and discharge instructions for cases that are seen.
- Provide, direct and oversee patient medical care. This includes:
  - ✓ Determining client concerns and obtaining complete medical histories
  - ✓ Receiving and assessing patients and performing complete physical examinations
  - ✓ Developing a problem list, differential diagnostic list, and treatment and diagnostic plan
  - ✓ Performing, ordering, and supervising medical and surgical procedures
- Follow medical codes of ethics, rules of employee handbook, and laws related to veterinary medical care
- Report adverse and unanticipated patient outcomes and events to the medical director promptly and accurately.
- Up date veterinarians continuing care on patients overnight in a clear and accurate manner through discussion during the shift change rounds.
- Participate in mandatory doctor and all staff meetings
- Participate when requested in the review process for other doctors and staff
- Be committed to ACCES' Core Values

#### Qualifications:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Cooperative work style
- Documented stress tolerance and attention to detail
- DVM or VMD degree from accredited veterinary college

- Hold valid Washington state veterinary license
- Residency training in Internal medicine
- Passage of ACVIM board exam

**Reporting Function:**

Reports to medical director