

2013-2014 Avenues Internship Alpine Animal Hospital, P.C.

Application Deadline : Feb 1, 2013

Practice Name: Alpine Animal Hospital, PC

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Staffing Number and Tasks: 4 Staff Veterinarians, 1 Intern, 2 Office Staff, 5 techs, 2 vet tech assistants; 1 FTE LA DVM, 3.25 FTE SA DVM w/o intern

Type of Practice: 40% equine (60 % ambulatory/40% in-house), 60% companion animal

Facilities: 2010 new facility 10,400 square feet. Medical/Repro/Surgery facility with 4 heated stalls and lameness/treatment areas. The practice is equipped for digital radiology, ultrasonography, focused shock wave, and endoscopy. Surgery suite is available, routine and elective procedures (hernias, crypts, enucleations, splint removal, nervings.) as well as emergency abdominal and other surgeries.

Number of Interns / Externs currently in Practice: 1

Names of Veterinarians in Practice including any Specialty Qualifications:

Chuck Maker DVM, Chad Roeber DVM, Louise Shuman DVM, Martha Rideout DVM, Darlene Berkovitz DVM

Case Load: Sport Horses (cutters, cow horse, reigners, and english hunters, jumpers, saddleseat, dressage), Broodmares (routine, ET, frozen semen), Pleasure Horses. Companion Animals (Canine and Feline)

Types of Cases (estimated % by system or categories):

Equine: Lameness - 25% Repro – 15-25% Medicine and Surgery – 15-25% Routine (wellness, dentistry) 20% Other Pleasure Horse Work - 15% Companion Animal- 35% wellness - 35% Dentistry and Surgery - 15% Routine (wellness, dentistry) 20% Other/Nutrition; restricted to dogs and cats

Estimated Breakdown of Daily or Weekly Load:

Caseload will reflect the seasonality of private practice in our area. Work week will vary with the time of the year, averaging 50-55 hours/week. Less time could be spent, but doing so would mean not availing oneself of the learning opportunities offered. ½ day off during the week with work hrs. M-F and ½ day Saturdays for routine and emergency appts. during regular hospital hours. Emergency duty 2 nights per week and 1 weekend every three for primary duty. 2 out of 3 weekends on duty for in-house hospitalized care. 5-6 weekends per years with no on call or in house hospitalized duty care.

Philosophy of Internship:

THIS MIXED ANIMAL INTERNSHIP IS GEARED MORE TOWARDS LEARNING THAN PRODUCTION. Areas of training include: Dentistry, Radiology, Reproduction, Practice Management, Client Education, Fluid Therapy, Laboratory, Pediatrics. General Medicine, Horse Show Medicine, Ultrasonography, Thermography, Endoscopy, Surgery, Ophthalmology, Technical Skills, Lameness, Complementary Therapies. The learning protocol is available upon request.

Prerequisites of Application and Internship:

The applicant will provide a CV and a letter of application that addresses their desire to be involved in an internship. Two professional letters from individuals that can attest to the applicant's skill, work ethic and personality. A visit to or externship at the practice is highly recommended. A license in Colorado is required prior to the start of the internship.

Notification of Acceptance:

By mail, email or phone

Employee Benefits:

Health insurance allowance, on-site housing, malpractice insurance, cell phone, 5 days of vacation to be used as approved.

Employment Contracts:

Required

Externship Available:

www.alpinehospital.com Externship stays or practice visits are strongly encouraged to our intern applicants. Externships are scheduled throughout the applicants junior and senior veterinary school years as the students schedule allows

List of Internship Duties in Practice:

1. Learning 2. Radiology 3. Dentistry 4. Assist with Foaling 5. Assist on ambulatory calls. 6. Assist with in-house medicine, surgery, reproduction as required 7. Partake in Client Education programs and newsletter productions. 8. Emergency Duty

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Emergency Duty Requirements:

1. The intern will accompany the on-call doctor for emergencies, but will not have “primary” ambulatory emergency duties in the first 2-3 months. In the remaining months of the internship the intern will be on primary call for ambulatory/hospitalized cases two nights a week and one weekend out of every three. 2. The intern will be on duty with emergency colic watch/treatment/surgery crew as cases dictate. Small animal intensive care patient care will also be borne by the intern and backup senior DVM as cases dictate. All routine colic care will be performed by the colic watch crew (consisting of CVT’s, intern and Staff DVM) at the direction of Drs. Maker and Shuman. 3. The intern will assist with after hours treatments as needed for clinic cases. 4. There is emergency surgery performed at the clinic, and the number of cases that require care through the night varies throughout the year.

Amount of Supervision:

In the first 2-3 months the intern will either be under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or in wet lab situations most of the time. In the following 9-10 months the intern will perform routine calls and small animal appointments as cases fluctuate through the year and as the hospitals caseload varies. This schedule is somewhat flexible pending skill acquisition and practice needs.

Internship Salary: \$25,000 plus benefits

Term of Employment:. July 1- June 30