

### Business Mission/Standard Operating Procedures

BCS Pet Nurse, PLLC is a mobile veterinary technician service in the Bryan/College Station and surrounding areas. Our goal is to provide basic care to pets in the comfort of their own home, as well as to work with local veterinarians to assist with home nursing care for their patients. All care provided will be in the presence of at least one licensed veterinary technician (LVT). Our visits are not intended to replace a veterinary visit. The business will maintain liability insurance.

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To remain compliant with the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, the licensed technicians affiliated with this business will not perform surgical procedures, prescribe medications, or provide a diagnosis or prognosis. Additionally, no services will be offered that require immediate or direct supervision by a veterinarian. Some services offered will require a referral form from a veterinarian. Additionally, some services will require both a referral form as well as general supervision by the requesting veterinarian.

#### Services:

- 1) Toe Nail Trims/Dremel: Initial visit will require (1) LVT and an assistant (LVT, CVA, non-credentialed assistant) to perform this service. Based on the patient's behavior, the LVT may decide if further visits will require an assistant or performed without assistance. No DVM referral needed.
- 2) Anal Gland Expression: To be performed with (1) LVT and an assistant (LVT, CVA, non-credentialed assistant). No DVM referral needed.
- 3) Hygiene/Comfort Clips: Initial visit will require (1) LVT and an assistant (LVT, CVA, non-credentialed assistant) to perform this service. Based on the patient's behavior, the LVT may decide if further visits will require an assistant or performed without assistance. No DVM referral needed.
- 4) Ear Cleaning: Performed with non-prescription ear cleaner for a general cleaning. Not to be performed if owner is reporting ear concerns. Initial visit will require (1) LVT and an assistant (LVT, CVA, non-credentialed assistant) to perform this service. Based on the patient's behavior, the LVT may decide if further visits will require an assistant or performed without assistance. No DVM referral needed.
- 5) Microchipping: To be performed with (1) LVT and an assistant (LVT, CVA, non-credentialed assistant). No DVM referral needed.
- 6) Pet-sitting: Pet sitting will be considered on a case by case basis pending availability. Pet sitting will be performed by a LVT.
- 7) Client Education: Performed by LVT. Topics may include: behavior concerns, puppy/kitten care, general questions about a DVM diagnosed condition or disease.

- 8) Prescribed Medication Administration:
- a. Oral medication- DVM prescribed oral medication may be administered by a LVT at the owner's request. The prescription must be current (prescribed in the last 30 days) and non-expired. No DVM referral needed.
  - b. Injectable medication- DVM prescribed injectable medication may be administered by a LVT. The prescription must be current (prescribed in the last 30 days) and non-expired. The DVM must provide all supplies. **DVM referral form required.**
  - c. Subcutaneous Fluids- DVM prescribed SQ Fluids may be administered by a LVT. The DVM must provide all supplies. **DVM referral form required.**
- 9) DVM Requested Care: The following services may be performed at the request of a DVM and pet owner. Services to be provided by a LVT. A referral form is required for all services. A written report of the visit will be provided to the DVM following the visit.
- a. Blood Pressure Measurements
  - b. Blood Glucose Reading
  - c. Quality of Life Check (hospice)
- 10) Services requiring general supervision of a DVM: The following services may be performed at the request of a DVM and pet owner by a LVT. A referral form is required. The DVM must be readily available by phone for these services to occur, thus the appointment will be coordinated between the pet owner, DVM, and LVT.
- a. Suture removal- photo of incision to be sent to DVM prior to removal of sutures.
  - b. Wound care- basic clipping and cleaning only. DVM to provide all supplies.
  - c. Sample collection and delivery to clinic