

Who is a DVM?



What is a DVM?

A DVM is a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine; more often referred to as a veterinarian.

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What can a DVM do?

A DVM is able to diagnose medical problems in animals, prescribe medications as well as perform surgery on animals. DVMs are able to perform all the tasks an RVT can perform.



How to become a DVM

To become a DVM you must do a minimum of 2 years of an undergraduate degree (bachelors degree) and then four more years of university to obtain a DVM degree.

Who is an RVT?



What is a RVT?

An RVT is a Registered Veterinary Technologist.

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What can a RVT do?

A RVT is able to perform many tasks including: anesthesia, radiology as well as surgical assistance under supervision of a veterinarian. RVTs in some areas of the world are termed "vet nurses."



How to become a RVT

To become an RVT you must complete two years of a post-secondary accredited veterinary technician program.



The Importance of Veterinarians and Veterinary Technologists Working Together



A veterinary team can consist of a RVT and a DVM or multiple RVTs and DVMs. Working together as a team is one of the most important parts of veterinary medicine in order to be able to help diagnose and treat animals while keeping both humans and animals safe.