

## Job Description

Job Title: Baby Bird and Mammal Feeder

Responsible to: Head Nurses

Job Purpose: To ensure the efficient running of the nurseries, to hand-rear orphaned juvenile wild birds and mammals in order to eventually release them back into the wild. To successfully complete the tasks allocated on a daily basis and assist with the general animal husbandry and rearing juvenile patients being cared for at Tiggywinkles.

Key Accountabilities
Provide regular feeding of birds, feeding and toileting of the mammals, whilst keeping animals under your care clean and warm
Ensure high standards of general animal husbandry in the nurseries including cleaning and mucking out the cages and sweeping as required, keeping the wards clean and tidy at all times
Ensuring that food is prepared in line with the established protocols
Handling the animals and birds as necessary, following the strict protocols and guidelines provided
Liaise with foster carers and carry out health checks of animals in their care as necessary and as directed
Ensure all medical queries are referred to the veterinary team as appropriate and provide basic medication under Veterinary direction as required
Monitor and provide support to students whilst they work with you and while they are cleaning the nurseries. Give students the direction and instructions they need to be able to carry out the tasks efficiently and thoroughly
Deal politely with the general public and visitors that come to see the hospital
Collecting samples as requested from time to time by the vet or nursing team
Adhere to stock management processes to ensure that supplies are always available
Comply with all safeguarding policies and procedures that apply, and ensuring that all relevant policies and procedures are adhered to
Keeping equipment in good working order and reporting any maintenance requirements/repairs as necessary
Ensure adherence to the Health & Safety and Security procedures at all times
Attending to other jobs, as reasonable for the role for which you are employed, and as required by the operation and the Head Nurses

## Person Specification

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Attributes	Essential	Desirable
Attainments / Qualifications		A qualification in animal care.
Previous Experience		Previous experience of working with animals.  Previous experience of working with volunteers and students.
Circumstances		A full valid driving licence  Able to work as part of a rota
Disposition	<p>Able to take responsibility for own work and do what's necessary to get the best possible results for the hospital and our patients.</p> <p>A positive disposition and effective problem solving skills.</p> <p>Ability to work effectively both on own initiative and as part of a team.</p> <p>Ability to work under pressure and remain calm when faced with emergency situations.</p> <p>Ability to communicate effectively at all levels.</p>	<p>Able to demonstrate some strength and agility to enable effective working with our wild patients.</p> <p>(N.B. Full animal handling training will be provided).</p>

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