



THE IRISH BLUE CROSS
ANIMAL WELFARE CHARITY

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Veterinary Surgeon for Mobile Clinics
Based: See List of Mobile Clinic Locations
Responsible to: Head of Veterinary Services

Job Summary:

The Irish Blue Cross is currently recruiting for veterinary surgeons to work at our mobile clinics. The successful candidate will do consults from our mobile clinic locations. The successful candidate will be hard working, diligent and conscientious and he/she will have excellent organisational skills.

Key Duties & Responsibilities:

Clinical duties:

- Consultations at the mobile clinic – This involves full clinical exam of the pet and vaccination or treatment as required
- Offering excellent patient care to all patients attending the mobile clinics
- Providing excellent customer care through superior client communication in a courteous and professional manner
- Promoting and implementing the charities policies in all aspects of work
- Ensuring excellent case records are maintained and that CDR forms are accurately filled out
- Provide high quality service to clients through quality communication and close working relationships with other members of the veterinary team and volunteers and drivers
- Assisting with a broad range of veterinary duties, as the need arises, in co-operation with the Head of Veterinary Services

Ongoing:

- Adhere at all times to the Veterinary Council of Ireland Code of Professional Conduct for Veterinary Practitioners.
- Adhere to The Irish Blue Cross protocols and policies with regards to health and safety, hygiene, reporting of incidents, security etc.
- Be vigilant with regards to premises hygiene and assist staff in cleaning up any spillages or animal fluids in a timely fashion
- Assist with client payments should the need arise
- Assist all other members of the mobile clinic team in their roles should the need arise
- Notify all staff of any infectious or contagious disease at the mobile clinic (e.g. parvo virus)

- Ensure no cash or medical supplies are left unattended on the mobile clinic
- Report any broken or damaged equipment to management
- Report any day to day problems that may arise personal or otherwise to management
- Participate in training veterinary and other training such as health and safety
- Assist the Manager, head of Veterinary Services and other staff and volunteers to achieve the overall aims of the organisation

This job description is intended to outline key duties and responsibilities for this position. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all duties, responsibilities and activities required.

Essential Qualities and Competencies:

- Professional and ethical
- Minimum of three years of experience
- Good communication skills both oral and written - essential for dealing with clients and working as part of a team
- Ability to work well as part of a team and in sole charge
- Good time management skills with the ability to work to deadlines and to organise and prioritise workloads
- Ability to use initiative
- Ability to demonstrate attention to detail
- Good work ethic and willingness to learn
- Friendly manner and commitment to providing excellent customer service
- Ability to follow direction and comply with protocols of The Irish Blue Cross
- An ability to understand and promote the charities policies
- Good record keeping skills

Desirable Criteria:

- Experience working with a charity

Contract terms and conditions: The hours of work are

6pm-8.30pm at the designated mobile clinic location.

Clinics run from 6pm-8.30pm but due to the nature of the role this may run over on occasion.

A flexible approach to working hours is required.

Remuneration: €120 per shift. (This rate is inclusive of VAT. Vets working at the Irish Blue Cross Mobile Clinics work on a self-employed basis and each vet looks after his/her own taxes payable to Revenue in relation to income received from us.)

To apply for this position: please send your CV and cover letter in the strictest confidence to: una.otoole@bluecross.ie

The Irish Blue Cross is an equal opportunities employer.

About the Organisation

The Irish Blue Cross is an animal welfare charity (Registered Charity Number 20007959) that provides low cost veterinary care to pet owners who are genuinely in need. This is defined by a list of means tested benefits.

The service is provided through our Mobile Clinics and our Clinic in Inchicore. We operate 10 Mobile Clinics each week. The clinic locations are:

Monday	Cabra and Tallaght
Tuesday	Crumlin and Blanchardstown
Wednesday	Ballybrack, Smithfield and Ballyfermot
Thursday	Walkinstown and Finglas
Friday	Donnycarney

The Irish Blue Cross operates its main office and small animal facilities at 15A Goldenbridge Industrial Estate, Inchicore, Dublin 8.