PART Vet 804 VETERINARY ASSISTANTS

Readopt with amendment Vet 804.01, effective 5-15-23 (Document #13577), to read as follows:

Vet 804.01 Tasks Allowed to be Performed by Veterinary Assistants. On the order of the supervising veterinarian, and as appropriate to the level of the veterinarian assistant's skill as determined by the supervising veterinarian, a veterinary assistant may perform the following tasks ***under the level of supervision indicated below:*** ~~indirect supervision of a veterinarian as defined in Vet 102.01(***u***r), except as outlined below~~ :

(a) ***Under the immediate supervision of a veterinarian as defined in Vet 102.01(q) or veterinary technician, a veterinary assistant may:***

(1) Monitor anesthesia ***and maintain noninjectible anesthesia*** ~~under immediate supervision of a veterinary nurse or veterinary technician~~;

(2) Administer injections and fluids;

(3) Place a peripheral IV catheter;

(4) Perform dental scaling and polishing; and

(5) Perform other tasks as assigned by a veterinarian in situations where immediate intervention is necessary to preserve the life of an animal patient;

(b) Under the direct supervision of a veterinarian as defined in Vet 102.01(n) or veterinary technician,

(1) Collect samples of ear exudate for cytologic evaluation;

(2) Collect blood for diagnostic purposes;

(3) Connect and disconnect intravenous fluids;

(4) Perform radiography including settings, positioning, processing, and safety procedures; and

(c) Under the indirect supervision of a veterinarian as defined in Vet 102.01(u),

~~(b) Collect blood for diagnostic purposes;~~

(~~c~~***1***) Perform laboratory services for which ~~an~~ ***the*** assistant has been trained;

(~~d~~***2***) Administer oral medication;

~~(e) Administer injections and fluids, which shall only be administered under the immediate supervision of a veterinarian or veterinary technician;~~

~~(f) Connect and disconnect intravenous fluids~~;

(~~g~~***3***) Restrain the animal;

~~(h) Place a peripheral IV catheter, under the immediate supervision of a veterinarian or veterinary technician;~~

~~(i) Perform radiography including settings, positioning, processing, and safety procedures;~~.

~~(j) Collection of ear cytology under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or veterinary technician; and~~

(~~k~~***4***) ***Any other tasks assigned by the supervising veterinarian which do not meet the definition of the practice of veterinary medicine pursuant to RSA 329-B:1, II.*** ~~Other tasks as assigned by the supervising veterinarian, under immediate supervision, under conditions of emergency.~~

APPENDIX A

Rule	Specific State Statute Which the Rule Implements
Vet 804	RSA 332-B:7-a, X