



# Looking for a Career Moove?

## What do Large Animal Registered Veterinary Technologists do? We.....

- Work side-by-side with veterinarians
- Perform physical exams - assess peripheral pulses, body condition scores, listen to heart, lung sounds & ruminations.
- Restrain all animals big and small - Operate chutes, use halts and ropes
- Are math gurus! - Have knowledge about drug categories, medications, and vaccines dosages and calculations
- Are nutrition experts
- Are knowledgeable about herd health - Assist in reproductive programs including: pregnancy testing, semen testing, herd visits as well as assist in breeding programs: including synchronization, and artificial insemination.
- Recognize diseases
- Work everywhere - RVTs are ambulatory; work on the farm or in the clinic
- Are lab techs - Master in venipuncture, fecal, urine, milk and semen collections and can analyze many different samples
- Are surgical assistants - surgical preparation, anesthesia administration & monitoring, surgical recovery, and nursing
- Are labour and delivery nurses - assist in dystocia's, including caesarian sections.
- Are radiology technicians - Perform x-rays and assist in ultrasounds
- Give neonatal care - nurse scouring calves, apply casts on leg fractures
- Keep our cool in emergency situations - Perform CPR, Hospitalize and monitor critical patients

## How do I become an RVT?

An RVT is an individual who has graduated from a 2-year program in Animal Health Technology or Veterinary Technology and has successfully completed the Veterinary Technicians National Examination (VTNE).

There are 4 colleges in Alberta offering an AHT program; GPRC- Fairview, Olds College, NAIT and Lakeland College



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The ABVTA was founded to support and empower a knowledgeable network of RVTs to advance our profession while providing compassionate veterinary care