

The syllabus for the *Spay/Neuter Surgical Team Training Program* is customized daily to suit your needs and the length of your training. To provide an excellent experience, we provide an instructor-to-trainee ratio of 1:1. The training will follow the ASPCA Spay/Neuter Alliance medical protocols and cover efficient patient flow, patient prepping, monitoring and safety. Your veterinarian will receive instruction on surgical techniques, use of reel suture, ergonomics in a high-volume setting and overall flow.

Our goal is to provide your team with a great team-building experience. We do our best to focus on areas that you have indicated you want to concentrate on in your application to the program. A daily syllabus, therefore, may include but is not limited to:

Intake & Release Protocols

- ▶ Patient check-in & intake protocol/procedures
- ▶ Pre-surgical physical examination
- ▶ Patient selection
- ▶ Patient monitoring & recovery
- ▶ Front desk release
- ▶ Recheck examinations

Drug Protocols

- ▶ Drug review
- ▶ DEA regulations & flow of controlled drugs in the practice
- ▶ Drug records/logs
- ▶ Pre-operative sedation/anesthesia protocol
- ▶ Individual patient drug preparation
- ▶ Patient records
- ▶ Anesthesia machine operation & maintenance
- ▶ Induction & intubation
- ▶ Pain management
- ▶ Emergency drug protocol
- ▶ Community cat programs

Disease Control

- ▶ Pack preparation
- ▶ Kennel facility maintenance & disease control

Surgery

- ▶ Spay/neuter surgeries
- ▶ Anatomy review
- ▶ Sterile surgical technique (ligatures, pedicle tie, overhand knot, incisions)
- ▶ Surgical technique review (efficiency of motion, body mechanics)
- ▶ Instrument review
- ▶ Surgical preparation procedures
- ▶ Identification & management of complications
- ▶ Emergency CPR
- ▶ Efficient flow