

The syllabus for the *Spay/Neuter Clinic Mentorship Program* is customized daily to suit your needs and the length of your training. To provide an excellent experience, we provide a maximum trainer-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):

### Check-in & Release & Operational Protocols

- Patient check-in & intake protocol/procedures
- Pre-surgical physical examination
- Patient selection
- Patient monitoring & recovery
- Front desk release
- Recheck examinations
- Gentle animal handling
- Development of standard operating protocols

### 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