

| Qualification title | Diploma for Veterinary Nursing Assistants in Feline Centred Practice |
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| Qualification level | 3  |

| QUALIFICATION OVERVIEW                                   |   |
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| Who is this qualification for and what could it lead to? | The Diploma for Veterinary Nursing Assistants in feline centred<br>practice aims to prepare and support students for a career as a<br>veterinary nursing assistant within a feline only practice. All units<br>will be taught in the context of cats only.<br>This qualification could help provide a progression pathway to<br>the CQ Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing  |
| Are there any entry requirements?                        | There are no formal entry requirements for this award, although it<br>is recommended that learners study for functional skills Level 2<br>Numeracy and Literacy if these, or equivalent, have not been<br>achieved.<br>This qualification requires the acquisition of skills and<br>competency and as such requires a work placement in a<br>veterinary care environment.   |
| What are the key purposes of the qualification?          | <ul> <li>The key purposes of the qualification are:</li> <li>to give learners the ability to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to work safely and competently</li> <li>to allow learners to grow as individuals and give them the chance to learn life skills essential for working in a veterinary practice environment, and other similar environments</li> <li>to provide a progression onto other qualifications or within employment</li> </ul>  |
| What does this qualification cover?                      | The programme will include a balance of practical learning and<br>theoretical teaching, and use a variety of strategies to ensure<br>students can undertake tasks proficiently.<br>Clinical placements or an employed apprenticeship position will<br>allow for the acquisition of skills and will enable learners to<br>become competent and confident in a veterinary care<br>environment<br>In order to successfully achieve the qualification a learner will<br>need to gain a pass in all units within the syllabus. All units are<br>mandatory. |



| What are the units within the syllabus?   | <ul> <li>Workplace legislation and infection control</li> <li>Feline origin, husbandry and enrichment</li> <li>Feline health and welfare</li> <li>Basic feline anatomy and physiology</li> <li>Feline patient care</li> <li>Principles of veterinary nursing assistant support</li> </ul>   |
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| <i>How is the qualification assessed?</i> | <ul> <li>Knowledge and understanding will be assessed by:</li> <li>Assignments set by Central Qualifications and administered by Centres</li> <li>Multiple choice examination set and administered by Central Qualifications</li> <li>Practical skills will be assessed by:</li> <li>An electronic work-based progress log (Central Skills Log). Practical skills are recorded by learners using the Central Skills Log. Clinical coaches/practical tutors confirm competency and Centres internally verify progress.</li> </ul>  |
| <i>How is the qualification graded?</i>   | <ul> <li>Distinction <ul> <li>First time pass of 80% and above in all components of each theory examination</li> <li>Pass in all assignments</li> <li>Completion of Central Skills Log</li> </ul> </li> <li>Merit <ul> <li>First time pass in all components of each theory examination</li> <li>Pass in all assignments</li> <li>Completion of Central Skills Log</li> </ul> </li> <li>Pass in all assignments <ul> <li>Pass in each theory examination</li> <li>Pass in each theory examination</li> <li>Pass in all assignments</li> <li>Completion of Central Skills Log</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Who supports this qualification?          | Industry         https://cqual.org/knowledge-base/resources/qualification-letters-of-support/industry-support-dipvnafcp         Further education         https://cqual.org/knowledge-base/resources/qualification-letters-of-support/educator-support-dipvnafcp  |