Dear Mentor,

As part of our career pathing initiative for our team members, we have created the MVP School for Veterinary Professionals. Although our program is currently unaccredited, we are actively pursuing accreditation to offer an associate in applied science degree in Veterinary Technology. This schooling allows our students to work full-time while attending classes.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a team member at your hospital, has shown interest in joining the program and is asking for your support and commitment as part of the application process. We know that the most successful students have strong mentors. As part of the application process, we are requiring our applicants to bring forward a self-appointed mentor who is willing to commit in supporting the student educationally and emotionally through the program.

A mentor can be a licensed veterinarian or a credentialed technician, whichever is the best candidate for this student. As a mentor, you will be the point person in the hospital who will be overseeing their progress through the program. The program is structured in 10-week quarters. Although listed as a 6-quarter diploma program now, has been created as an 8-quarter program that will have the credits and courses to be submitted for the accreditation process to be an associate’s degree granting program. If it goes through and is approved both institutionally and by the AVMA as hoped, graduates should be able to sit the VTNE.

It will be your responsibility to work with the student and to make sure that they are hitting their benchmarks.

Part of the program also requires skills-based assessments. These skills will need to be demonstrated at the practice level and will need to be documented and signed off on. These skills assessment activities are a vital part of the program, and the student cannot progress without demonstrating the necessary skills. By agreeing to be a mentor, you are committing to assisting the student in getting exposure to the experiences necessary for them to work on their skills. They not only need to demonstrate their skills, but for the benefit of your hospital, master them and show proficiency in them. You will be the point person for signing off on their skills set list.

We are committed to supporting you as a mentor. We want you and your student to be successful in your roles. There will be a mentor orientation closer to the start date of the program and you will receive an invite to attend this meeting. Please feel free to reach out to Kelli.Keith@MVetPartners.com or submit a FreshService ticket with any questions regarding the mentorship program.

If you are in agreement with the details and responsibilities laid out in this document, please sign below.

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