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Monitor and care for veterinary patients in accommodation



Overview

This standard is about caring for veterinary patients in accommodation. You will be able to provide care to the patients during:

1. illness
2. recovery from surgical procedures
3. routine hospitalisation

This standard is suitable for lay members of veterinary practice staff working under the direction of qualified veterinary staff.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 confirm the care requirements for in-patients with the qualified veterinary staff
 - P2 monitor in-patients according to their condition and the instructions of qualified veterinary staff. Monitoring could include the following:
 - P2.1. faeces and urine output
 - P2.2. food and fluid intake
 - P2.3. behaviour
 - P2.4. clinical parameters
 - P2.5. pain and distress
 - P3 provide appropriate care to in-patients according to their condition and the instructions of qualified veterinary staff
 - P4 provide nutrition and fluids suitable to the patient and its condition as instructed
 - P5 identify any problems with patients and report to qualified veterinary staff
 - P6 maintain the security of the patients to protect them from injury, theft or escape
 - P7 maintain appropriate records regarding the monitoring of patients
 - P8 comply with health and safety regulations and guidelines at all times

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 how and when animals should be monitored and how patient conditions influence such monitoring
- K2 the different types and level of care normally provided in accommodation
- K3 the types of equipment and containers used for providing food and fluids
- K4 how and when to stimulate patients and how different patients respond
- K5 the indications that patients might be having problems and why it is important to bring them to the attention of qualified veterinary staff
- K6 the potential threats to the security of patients
- K7 relevant health and safety legislation

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