

Meet our 2021 Graduate Development Programme Host Practices



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Abbey House Vets

Abbey House Vets is a 19 vet, RCVS Accredited Hospital based in West Yorkshire. The practice has extensive experience supporting new graduates, ensuring ongoing mentoring and learning opportunities throughout the programme.

The veterinary team has certificate holders across almost the entire spectrum of veterinary medicine to learn from.

The hospital itself has an on-site laboratory, endoscopy, laparoscopy, digital X-ray, dental X-ray, US, CT and visiting MRI. The hospital accepts referral cases in internal medicine, soft tissue and orthopaedic surgery, cardiology, imaging, intensive care, dermatology, physiotherapy, ophthalmology and oncology.



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Key Details:	
Location:	Morley, Leeds
Role Type:	Small Animal
Number of Graduate Roles:	1x Graduate Role
Out of Hours (OOH) Work Required:	None required (shadowing of night vets possible)
Weekend Work Required:	Yes

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Blacks Vets

Blacks Vets has been caring for the Black Country's pet community since 1965. The main hospital site in Dudley is a 24/7 RCVS Accredited Hospital, providing 24/7 emergency services and in-patient hospital care. This provides an exciting and varied clinical case load, including emergency and critical care, whilst allowing for case continuity.

The dedicated team work to provide a high standard of primary care service alongside a Certificate led referral service, ensuring new graduates will have exposure to a wide variety of clinical cases and a wealth of experience to learn from and be guided by. Blacks have a long history of mentoring and supporting new graduates and they aim to deliver across all the core foundations of the Linnaeus GDP.

Blacks has a highly qualified team of 18 veterinary surgeons over 5 sites, including certificate holders in surgery, cardiology, imaging, internal medicine, dermatology and Advanced Veterinary Practice. Blacks provide Primary Care Services and Certificate-led Referral services in:

- Orthopaedic and soft tissue surgery, including TPLO, laparoscopy and arthroscopy
- Cardiology, including 24-hour ECG monitoring, ECHO, bronchoscopy
- Imaging including on-site CT, ultrasonography and a visiting MRI
- Internal medicine, including endoscopy
- Dermatology

The state-of-the-art facilities include 12 operating theatres, CT scanner, digital x-rays, dedicated dental theatre with digital x-rays, laparoscopic equipment, endoscope, ultrasound and visiting MRI. Hospital facilities including oxygen kennel, incubators and multiparameter monitors

Blacks are extremely proud to be an award-winning practices and their accolades include "Best Place to Work" at the Express and Star's Business Awards 2019, Pet Plan Vet of the Year Finalist 2019, Workplace Wellbeing Award 2018 and Best UK Vets 205, 2016 and 2017 to name just a few.

Key Details:	
Location:	Dudley, West Midlands
Role Type:	Small Animal
Number of Graduate Roles:	1x Graduate Role
Out of Hours (OOH) Work Required:	Yes
Weekend Work Required:	Yes



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Calder Vets

Calder Vets employs over 30 veterinary surgeons across 13 sites in South and West Yorkshire, with a 24-hour emergency hospital based in Dewsbury. Hospital facilities include digital radiography, dental radiography, US, CT, endoscopy, laparoscopy, cryotherapy and hydrotherapy. There is a varied caseload and a highly experienced team to support high-level work up of cases.

Calder Vets has a long history of nurturing and supporting new graduate vets to thrive in clinical practice. This graduate role will provide both hospital (RCVS tier 3 hospital) and branch practice (RCVS tier 2) exposure, a very varied caseload, with plenty of time for teaching and structured support systems.

Key Details:

Location:

Dewsbury, West Yorkshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of Graduate Roles:

1x Graduate Role

Out of Hours (OOH) Work Required:

None required (shadowing of night vets possible)

Weekend Work Required:

Yes



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Donnachie & Townley Vets

Donnachie & Townley (D&T) Veterinary Centre is a small, but friendly practice in Staffordshire where pet, client and staff care at the heart of everything they do.

The team are experienced in new graduate support, with a mix between experience but being young enough to remember the pressures faced by new graduates. The small team makes for a perfect, supportive, informal learning environment as well as access to emotional and wellbeing support.

D&T has all the usual equipment including digital x-ray, dental x-ray, ultrasound, capnography, ECG and laboratory facilities including a microscope with camera and tablet that is ideal for teaching. The team currently offer acupuncture on site and are looking to further develop other services offered in-house including surgery and physiotherapy.

Both sites are silver status in the ISMF Cat Friendly Practices and D&T was awarded Best Small Animal Practice In Staffordshire in 2020 by the SME awards. The team are also working towards 2 RCVS Awards and their Bronze Accreditation in the iiE sustainability programme.

The enthusiastic and dedicated team at D&T are ready to support a new graduate in their transition from university to clinical practice and welcome them into the D&T family!

Key Details:	
Location:	Rugeley, Staffordshire
Role Type:	Small Animal
Number of Graduate Roles:	1x Graduate Role
Out of Hours (OOH) Work Required:	No
Weekend Work Required:	Yes

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Eastcott Veterinary Clinic & Hospital

Eastcott Veterinary Clinic & Hospital is a state-of-the-art hospital based in Swindon, with both primary care and specialist-led referral services available.

Eastcott has a long history of supporting new graduates, having developed their own graduate training programme that has now been incorporated into the Linnaeus GDP.

Graduates are highly supported, working alongside experienced clinicians with dedicated time for further learning, shadowing and ongoing professional development. You will also have the opportunity to shadow clinicians in the referral hospital and pursue your areas of interest.

Key Details:	
Location:	Swindon, Wiltshire
Role Type:	Small Animal
Number of Graduate Roles:	3x Graduate Roles
Out of Hours (OOH) Work Required:	No
Weekend Work Required:	Yes



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Park Veterinary Group

Park Veterinary Group (PVG) employs almost 40 vets across 5 sites in Leicestershire, providing 24-hour emergency care as well as referral services in surgery and ophthalmology.

The team at Park are committed to providing the very best start for new graduates in conjunction with the Linnaeus GDP, having successfully supported a number of graduates through the programme already. The team of dedicated, experienced vets provide excellent mentorship throughout the programme and beyond. With a huge variety of experiences within the vet and nurse teams, there are plentiful opportunities for learning and development, alongside dedicated time for private study.

The practice boasts excellent primary care facilities including digital x-ray, dental x-ray, ultrasound, in-house laboratory equipment and in-house CT. The practice has also achieved Silver Cat Friendly Clinic Status.

In this small animal role, you will work alongside your mentor at one of their fully-equipped hospitals (Glenfield or Whetstone), with exposure to a varied caseload, regular surgical experience and the opportunity to learn from their referral clinicians. During year one, graduates will work alternating Sundays alongside an experienced team of vets and RVNs, providing excellent exposure to emergency medicine, surgery, triage and provision of in-patient care. Graduates work a four-day week with a fixed Monday off each week.

Key Details:

Location:

Glenfield &
Whetstone,
Leicestershire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of
Graduate Roles:

1x Graduate Role

Out of Hours
(OOH) Work
Required:

No

Weekend Work
Required:

Yes

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Peak Vets

Peak Vets is an RCVS Accredited Small Animal Veterinary Hospital based in the heart of the lively and vibrant Steel City of Sheffield but only 15 minutes from the Peak District.

Based on a single site, the friendly and welcoming practice team includes a team of 8 experienced and supportive vets, including certificate holders in Small Animal Medicine and Ophthalmology.

The practice consists of 3 consulting rooms, 2 surgical theatres alongside separate dental and imaging rooms as well as all the usual equipment for provision of the very best in-patient care. There are separate climate-controlled canine, feline and isolation.

Peak Vets presents an exceptional opportunity for new graduate development and support. The team have a breadth of experience and the time and enthusiasm to support a new graduate to flourish!

Key Details:

Location:

Sheffield,
South Yorkshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of
Graduate Roles:

1x Graduate Role

Out of Hours
(OOH) Work
Required:

Yes (in-patients only)

Weekend Work
Required:

Yes



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Shires Vets

Shires Vets is a large multi-site practice providing high quality patient care across Staffordshire and the West Midlands. The small animal team is highly experienced, with 12 of the 18 vets, greater than 5 years qualified. The team includes a number of certificate holders including Small Animal Medicine (x3), Surgery (x1) and Ophthalmology (x2) with areas of special interest including cardiology, dermatology, acupuncture and physiotherapy. This will provide a broad range of learning opportunities for a new graduate.

New graduates will have the opportunity to operate and perform diagnostics 3-4 days per week, as well as shadowing initially on the OOH rota to gain experience in emergency medicine. Graduates start with 30-minute appointment slots to enable time for thorough approach to cases and to seek advice and support as needed.

Shires have a team of experienced mentors, having supported a number of graduates through the Linnaeus GDP and are able to support in all areas of your clinical development, including dedicated surgical skills coaching.

The four small animal sites are well equipped and include all the usual consulting, diagnostic and operating facilities. Equipment includes digital x-ray, dental x-ray, laparoscopic equipment, flexible endoscope, ultrasound, in-house lab facilities and multi-parameter monitoring, all supported by an exceptional nursing team.

Shires are a friendly team seeking a new graduate with great communication and team skills and a desire to learn within a lovely practice!

Key Details:	
Location:	Stone, Staffordshire
Role Type:	Small Animal
Number of Graduate Roles:	1x Graduate Role
Out of Hours (OOH) Work Required:	Yes
Weekend Work Required:	Yes

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Spinney Vets

Spinney Vets has an experienced, highly qualified team with experience in providing a supportive and nurturing environment for new graduate vets.

Their main hospital in Northampton is an RCVS Accredited Hospital and includes digital radiography, dental radiography, US, endoscopy, on-site laboratory facilities, laparoscopy and behavioural clinics.

You will have a dedicated clinician available for surgical teaching and consulting support with each shift. Spinney Vets is able to offer a specific focus on surgical skill development.

Key Details:

Location:

Northampton,
Northamptonshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of
Graduate Roles:

1x Graduate Role

Out of Hours
(OOH) Work
Required:

Yes (in-patients only)

Weekend Work
Required:

Yes



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Woodward Veterinary Practice

Based in Ashby de la Zouch, Woodward Vets have a large client base throughout the whole of North West Leicestershire, South Derbyshire and beyond. Their aim is to provide the best possible medical and surgical veterinary care for their patients in a pleasant and friendly environment.

The large single site, purpose-built practice has an experienced, fun and enthusiastic team with certificate holders in surgery and cardiology. The team currently offers orthopaedic services and is developing a cardiology service.

The extensive and varied caseload of Woodward Vets will allow a graduate to experience and develop confidence in all areas of small animal primary care practice as well as seeing some more unusual cases along the way. The team aim to offer the highest levels of care and ensure they do this through a culture of continued learning among the team.

The practice is well equipped with all the expected equipment including digital x-ray, dental x-ray, ultrasound and in-house laboratory.

Key Details:

Location:

Ashby De La Zouch,
Leicestershire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of
Graduate Roles:

1x Graduate Role

Out of Hours
(OOH) Work
Required:

Yes

Weekend Work
Required:

Yes

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