



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2024)
(Implements RCW 34.05.320)
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

CODE REVISER USE ONLY

OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER
STATE OF WASHINGTON
FILED

DATE: October 21, 2025

TIME: 7:56 AM

WSR 25-21-126

Agency: Department of Health - Veterinary Board of Governors

☒ **Original Notice**

☐ **Supplemental Notice to WSR**

☐ **Continuance of WSR**

☒ **Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 23-18-060 ; or**

☐ **Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____; or**

☐ **Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1); or**

☐ **Proposal is exempt under RCW _____.**

Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject) Veterinary technicians and unregistered assistants - Supervision and delegation of animal health care tasks from licensed veterinarians. To align with industry standards, the Veterinary Board of Governors (board) is proposing amendments to WAC 246-935-010, 246-935-040, and 246-935-050 to update animal health care tasks that may be delegated to a veterinary technician or unregistered assistant. For readability, the board is proposing to reformat the list of animal health care tasks in WAC 246-935-050 into categorized tables. The board is also proposing to update an existing definition and add a new definition to ensure consistency with the amendments to the animal health care tasks rule.

Hearing location(s):

Date:	Time:	Location: (be specific)	Comment:
12/08/2025	9:05 AM	Physical Department of Health Town Center 2, Rm 153 111 Israel Rd. SE Tumwater, WA 98501 Virtual link https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_NDVhOTM0MDQtYjczZC00ZmJhLTk2YzAtZTBmNDRiMjY1OTI3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2211d0e217-264e-400a-8ba0-57dcc127d72d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%227bfba9ef-0251-4647-8346-3fa4ff1ed862%22%7d Meeting ID: 211 596 193 460 9 Passcode: K5SQ68NB Dial in by phone 564-999-2000 833-322-1218 (toll-free) Phone conference ID: 735 458 69#	This hearing will be hybrid. People can attend in person, virtually, or by phone.

Date of intended adoption: 12/08/2025 (Note: This is **NOT** the **effective** date)

Submit written comments to:

Name: Poppy Budrow

Assistance for persons with disabilities:

Contact: Poppy Budrow

Address: PO Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852 Email: veterinary@doh.wa.gov Fax: n/a Other: https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/policyreview/ Beginning (date and time) Date and time of this filing By (date and time) 12/01/2025 at 11:59 PM	Phone: 564-669-0026 Fax: n/a TTY: 711 Email: poppy.budrow@doh.wa.gov Other: veterinary@doh.wa.gov By (date) 11/24/2025
---	---

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules: In 2018, the Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission (commission) approached the board expressing a desire to collaborate on the topic of animal chiropractic care. The purpose of the collaboration was to consider whether rules could be adopted to regulate such practice. A committee was created and the board and commission, along with interested parties, considered and discussed this topic between 2018 to 2023 in a series of public meetings.

In 2023, the board voted to open the animal health care task rule to consider reviewing all allowable animal tasks, prohibited animal tasks, consider new tasks, and set appropriate delegation standards for animal chiropractic care. Throughout the rulemaking process, the taskforce was unable to come to a mutual agreement on delegation standards for chiropractors performing animal chiropractic care.

The board ultimately decided that adding delegation standards for chiropractors to perform animal chiropractic care in rule would not meet the commission's intended goal for a chiropractor to independently practice animal chiropractic care. Therefore, it was not addressed in this rulemaking package. It was instead determined that the chiropractic scope of practice would need to be changed through legislation. Program staff anticipates a bill to be re-introduced in the 2026 legislative session regarding animal chiropractic care.

The purpose of the proposed amendments to animal health care tasks in WAC 246-935-050 is to align Washington state with industry standards. The proposed amendments designate the animal health care tasks that may be delegated to veterinary technicians and unregistered assistants and the level of supervision that is required for each task. For readability purposes, the board is proposing to reformat the rule to list individual tasks and the required level of supervision in a categorized table format.

The board is also proposing to add a definition for "general anesthesia" and update the current definition of "immediate supervision" as related to unregistered assistants in WAC 246-935-010. These updates are consistent with and clarify amendments made to the animal health care tasks rule.

Finally, the board is proposing to update the language in subsection WAC 246-935-040(2)(b) to strengthen the intent of the rule and move the language to the beginning of the section. The amendment clarifies the responsibilities of the supervising veterinarian in relation to the delegation of animal health tasks to veterinary technicians and unregistered assistants.

Reasons supporting proposal: Over all the proposed amendments are needed to update animal health care tasks to align with industry standards and clearly identify animal health care tasks that can be delegated and level of supervision. Specifically the restructure of WAC 246-935-050 improves the readability to reduce the confusion of animal health care tasks that can be delegated and the required level of supervision. The board conducted workshops and solicited input from interested parties in order to develop rules that are consistent with industry standards, provide greater access to care, and maintain patient safety. These amendments are necessary to ensure rules are clear, concise, and up-to-date in the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry.

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 18.92.030

Statute being implemented: RCW 18.92.030

Is rule necessary because of a:

Federal Law?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Federal Court Decision?	☐ Yes ☒ No
State Court Decision?	☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, CITATION:

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters: None

Name of proponent: Veterinary Board of Governors
Type of proponent: ☐ Private. ☐ Public. ☒ Governmental.

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

Name	Office Location	Phone
Drafting: Poppy Budrow	111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501	564-669-0026
Implementation: Poppy Budrow	111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501	564-669-0026
Enforcement: Poppy Budrow	111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501	564-669-0026

Is a school district fiscal impact statement required under [RCW 28A.305.135](#)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the school district fiscal impact statement by contacting:

Name
Address
Phone
Fax
TTY
Email
Other

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under [RCW 34.05.328](#)?

☒ Yes: A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

Name: Poppy Budrow
Address PO BOX 47852
Olympia, WA 98504-7852
Phone: 564-669-0026
Fax: n/a
TTY: 711
Email: poppy.budrow@doh.wa.gov
Other: veterinary@doh.wa.gov

☐ No: Please explain:

Regulatory Fairness Act and Small Business Economic Impact Statement

Note: The [Governor's Office for Regulatory Innovation and Assistance \(ORIA\)](#) provides support in completing this part.

(1) Identification of exemptions:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, **may be exempt** from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act (see [chapter 19.85 RCW](#)). For additional information on exemptions, consult the [exemption guide published by ORIA](#). Please check the box for any applicable exemption(s):

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under [RCW 19.85.061](#) because this rule making is being adopted solely to conform and/or comply with federal statute or regulations. Please cite the specific federal statute or regulation this rule is being adopted to conform or comply with, and describe the consequences to the state if the rule is not adopted.

Citation and description:

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt because the agency has completed the pilot rule process defined by [RCW 34.05.313](#) before filing the notice of this proposed rule.

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under the provisions of [RCW 15.65.570](#)(2) because it was adopted by a referendum.

☒ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under [RCW 19.85.025](#)(3). Check all that apply:

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(b)
(Internal government operations) | ☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(e)
(Dictated by statute) |
| ☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(c)
(Incorporation by reference) | ☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(f)
(Set or adjust fees) |
| ☒ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(d)
(Correct or clarify language) | ☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(g)
((i) Relating to agency hearings; or (ii) process requirements for applying to an agency for a license or permit) |

☒ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under [RCW 19.85.025](#)(4). (Does not affect small businesses).

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW _____.

WAC 246-935-010 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Anesthesia maintenance" means maintaining adequate depth of anesthesia through control of the amount and type of drug(s) delivered to the animal patient.

(2) "Anesthesia monitoring" means measuring, reporting, and recording vital signs.

(3) "Direct supervision" means the ~~((veterinary))~~ supervisor is on the premises, is quickly and easily available and the animal patient has been examined by a veterinarian at such times as acceptable veterinary medical practice requires, consistent with the particular delegated animal health care task.

(4) "Emergency" means that the animal patient has a life-threatening condition where immediate treatment is necessary to sustain life or avoid significant injury and morbidity.

(5) "General anesthesia" means a state of unconsciousness produced by anesthetic agents, with absence of response to painful stimuli over the entire body, in which the animal patient is without protective reflexes, and in which cardiovascular function may be impaired.

(6) "Immediate supervision" means the supervisor is in audible and visual range of the animal patient and the person treating the patient. Immediate supervision of an unregistered assistant requires consultation and instruction from the supervisor.

~~((+6+))~~ (7) "Indirect supervision" means the supervisor is not on the premises, but has given either written or oral instructions for treatment of the animal patient and the animal patient has been examined by a veterinarian at such times as acceptable veterinary medical practice requires, consistent with the particular delegated animal health care task and the animal patient is not anesthetized.

~~((+7+))~~ (8) "Licensed veterinary technician" means any person who has met the requirements of RCW 18.92.015 and who is licensed as required by chapter 18.92 RCW.

~~((+8+))~~ (9) "Supervisor" means a veterinarian or a licensed veterinary technician.

~~((+9+))~~ (10) "Unregistered assistant" means any individual who is not a veterinary technician or veterinarian.

~~((+10+))~~ (11) "Veterinarian" means a person ~~((authorized by))~~ licensed under chapter 18.92 RCW to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Washington.

~~((+11+))~~ (12) "Veterinary medical facility" is any premises, unit, structure or vehicle where any animal patient is received ~~((and/))~~ or confined, in order to provide veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry as defined in RCW 18.92.010.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 09-15-120, filed 7/17/09, effective 8/17/09)

WAC 246-935-040 Responsibilities of a veterinarian supervising a licensed veterinary technician or an unregistered assistant. It is the supervising veterinarian's responsibility to delegate animal health care tasks only if the licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant is qualified, competent, educated, trained, and able. The supervising veterinarian shall ensure the delegated task is appropriate for the species of the animal patient.

(1) A veterinarian must not delegate:

(a) To any licensed veterinary technician the performance of any animal health care services not authorized by WAC 246-935-040 or 246-935-050.

(b) To any unregistered assistant the performance of any animal health care services not authorized by WAC 246-935-040 or 246-935-050.

(2) The supervising veterinarian shall:

(a) Have legal responsibility for the health, safety and welfare of the animal patient which the licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant serves.

~~(b) ((Delegate animal health care tasks only if the licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant is qualified to perform the task, and the task is not precluded by the medical condition of the animal patient.~~

~~((e)))~~ Use the level of supervision required for a specific task.

~~((d)))~~ (c) Make all decisions relating to the diagnosis, treatment, management, and future disposition of an animal patient.

~~((e)))~~ (d) Limit the number of unregistered assistants under indirect supervision to that which is appropriate for the circumstances.

~~((f)))~~ (e) Allow licensed veterinary technicians and unregistered assistants the right and responsibility to refuse to perform duties they are not legally or technically able to perform.

(3) A supervising veterinarian shall examine the animal patient prior to the delegation of any animal health care task to either a licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant. The examination of the animal patient must be conducted at the times and in the manner consistent with veterinary medicine practice, and the particular delegated animal health care task.

(4) If a licensed veterinary technician is authorized to provide supervision for an unregistered assistant performing a specified health care task, the licensed veterinary technician ~~((shall))~~ must be under the same degree of supervision by the veterinarian, as if the licensed veterinary technician were performing the task.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-03-086, filed 1/20/16, effective 2/20/16)

WAC 246-935-050 Animal health care tasks. No individual, other than a licensed veterinary technician, may advertise or offer ~~((her/his))~~ their services in a manner calculated to lead others to believe that ~~((she/he is))~~ they are a trained or licensed veterinary technician.

(1) Licensed veterinary technicians and unregistered assistants are prohibited from performing the following activities:

- (a) Surgery except as outlined below;
- (b) Diagnosis and prognosis;
- (c) Prescribing drugs, medication or appliances;
- (d) Initiation of treatment without prior instruction by a veterinarian except as outlined under emergency animal care.

(2) ~~((Immediate supervision. Unregistered assistants are not authorized to perform the tasks in this section. A licensed veterinary technician may perform the following tasks only under the immediate supervision of a veterinarian: Dental extractions.~~

(3) ~~Direct supervision. Unregistered assistants are not authorized to perform the tasks in this section. A licensed veterinary technician may perform the following tasks only under the direct supervision of a veterinarian:~~

- ~~(a) Anesthesia:~~
 - ~~(i) Induction, including preanesthesia;~~
 - ~~(ii) Maintenance;~~
 - ~~(iii) Monitoring.~~
- ~~(b) Application of casts and splints;~~
- ~~(c) Floating teeth;~~
- ~~(d) Intraperitoneal injections;~~
- ~~(e) Blood administration;~~
- ~~(f) Closure, including suturing, of prepared skin wound or gingival incision;~~

~~(g) Arterial and central venous catheters.~~

(4) ~~Indirect supervision. Unregistered assistants are not authorized to perform the tasks in this section. A licensed veterinary technician may perform the following tasks only under the indirect supervision of a veterinarian:~~

- ~~(a) Intravenous injections into uncatheterized vein;~~
- ~~(b) Centesis, including fine needle aspirates;~~
- ~~(c) Unobstructed bladder catheter;~~
- ~~(d) Diagnostic procedures:~~
 - ~~(i) Fecal analysis;~~
 - ~~(ii) Electrocardiograms;~~
 - ~~(iii) Blood pressure;~~
 - ~~(iv) Cytology analysis, including urinalysis and hematology;~~
 - ~~(v) Microbiology.~~
- ~~(e) Placement and use of nasogastric and orogastric tubes for gavage, lavage, or reflux;~~
- ~~(f) Ophthalmological procedures:~~
 - ~~(i) Tear production testing;~~
 - ~~(ii) Topical anesthetic application;~~
 - ~~(iii) Fluorescein staining of the cornea;~~
 - ~~(iv) Tonometry.~~

~~(g) Tasks authorized to be performed under immediate or direct supervision for unregistered assistants, may be performed by licensed veterinary technicians under indirect supervision unless otherwise restricted.~~

(5) ~~Immediate supervision for unregistered assistants. An unregistered assistant may perform the following tasks only under the immediate supervision of a veterinarian or licensed veterinary technician:~~

- ~~(a) Place and secure an intravenous catheter;~~
- ~~(b) Monitor vital signs of an anesthetized patient;~~
- ~~(c) Dental prophyl.~~

~~(6) Direct supervision for unregistered assistant. An unregistered assistant may perform the following tasks only under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or licensed veterinary technician:~~

- ~~(a) Intravenous injection into catheterized vein;~~
- ~~(b) Vaccines (except for rabies and those diseases described in subsection (8) of this section) with the veterinarian's verification signature on an appropriate certificate;~~
- ~~(c) Imaging procedures;~~
- ~~(d) Removal of sutures, drain tubes and staples;~~
- ~~(e) Bandaging;~~
- ~~(f) Removal of exposed foreign bodies;~~
- ~~(g) Lab sample collection and test preparation (not evaluation) to include:~~

- ~~(i) Venipuncture;~~
- ~~(ii) Skin scraping.~~
- ~~(h) Microchip implantation;~~
- ~~(i) Enema;~~
- ~~(j) Ear flush;~~
- ~~(k) Perform electrocardiogram and blood pressure measurements;~~
- ~~(l) Intramuscular and subcutaneous injection;~~
- ~~(m) Massage except where regulated.~~

~~(7) Indirect supervision for unregistered assistants. An unregistered assistant must always be under the indirect supervision of a veterinarian or licensed veterinary technician, except as listed in subsections (5) and (6) of this section. Tasks not specifically listed or otherwise restricted may be performed by a licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant under the indirect supervision of a veterinarian.~~

~~(8) Veterinary biologics. Licensed veterinary technicians and unregistered assistants may only administer veterinary biologics for rabies and those diseases listed in WAC 16-42-026(1) under the direct supervision of a veterinarian.~~

~~(9)) Tasks not specifically listed or delegated by the veterinarian, or otherwise restricted, may be performed by a licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant under the indirect supervision of a veterinarian.~~

(3) A licensed veterinary technician or unregistered assistant may perform the following animal health care tasks under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian as indicated in the tables categorized in this subsection.

Table A: Anesthesia

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	Immediate	Direct	Indirect	Immediate	Direct	Indirect	Prohibited
<u>Induction of anesthesia</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Maintenance of anesthesia</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u> (requires supervisor consultation)			
<u>Monitor sedated or anesthetized patient</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>			
<u>Intubation</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>

Table B: Bandaging

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Application of casts, splints, and slings</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Closure, including suturing of prepared skin wound or gingival incision</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Removal of sutures, drain tubes, and staples</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Removal of exposed foreign bodies</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		

Table C: Centesis Procedures

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Centesis of abdominal, thoracic, ocular, or cerebrospinal fluids except the urinary bladder</u>	<u>X</u>						<u>X</u>
<u>Cystocentesis</u>			<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>
<u>Fine needle aspirate of any other area</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>			

Table D: Dental Procedures

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Single root (except canine tooth) extractions not requiring sectioning of the tooth or sectioning of the bone or incision of gingiva</u>	<u>X</u>						<u>X</u>
<u>Dental prophy</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>			
<u>Floating teeth</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>

Table E: Procedures

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Blood pressure</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Cytology analysis including urine sediment and basic hematology</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Electrocardiogram measurement</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Fecal analysis</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Urine dipstick and specific gravity</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Placement of a urinary catheter in unobstructed animal</u>			<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>
<u>Acquisition of diagnostic images</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Placement of nasogastric and orogastric tubes</u>			<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Use of nasogastric and orogastric tubes</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Skin scraping</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Euthanasia</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Carbon dioxide and blood oxygen saturation</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		

Table F: Injections

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Intramuscular and subcutaneous injections</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Intraperitoneal injections</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Intra-testicular block for local anesthesia</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>			
<u>Peripheral nerve block and epidurals</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Intravenous injection in uncatheterized vein</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>			
<u>Microchip implantation</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Vaccines (except rabies and those diseases described in subsection (8) of this section) with the veterinarian's verification signature on an appropriate certificate</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		

Table G: Veterinary Biologics

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Veterinary biologics for rabies and those diseases listed in WAC 16-42-026(1)</u>		<u>X</u>			<u>X</u>		

Table H: Intravenous Devices

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Placement of arterial and central venous catheters</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>
<u>Place and secure an IV catheter</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Blood and blood product administration</u>		<u>X</u>					<u>X</u>

Table I: Lab Sample Collection and Test Preparation (not evaluation)

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Venipuncture</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		

Table J: Ophthalmological Procedures

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Tear production testing</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Topical anesthetic application</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Fluorescein staining of cornea</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Eye pressures/ tonometry</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		

Table K: Other

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Enema</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Ear flush</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Massage (except where regulated)</u>			<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>		
<u>Noninvasive cardiopulmonary resuscitation and basic first aid procedures</u>			<u>X</u>			<u>X</u>	
<u>Packaging, preparation, administration, or delivery of controlled substances, see also: WAC 246-935-420</u>			<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>
<u>Ear tipping (for the identification of sterilized cats)</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>			

(4) Emergency animal care: Under conditions of an emergency, a licensed veterinary technician and unregistered assistant may render certain life saving aid to an animal patient as indicated in the table in this subsection. Nothing in the table shall be construed to prohibit the provision of basic first aid to animals in the absence of a veterinarian or licensed veterinary technician.

Task	Licensed Veterinary Technician			Unregistered Assistant			
	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Immediate</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Indirect</u>	<u>Prohibited</u>
<u>Administer pharmacologic agents and parenteral fluids only after communication with a veterinarian</u>			<u>X</u>			<u>X</u>	
<u>Utilize basic life support including noninvasive cardiopulmonary resuscitation and basic first aid procedures</u>			<u>X</u>			<u>X</u>	
<u>Provide other aid upon the order of a licensed veterinarian as outlined in this section</u>			<u>X</u>			<u>X</u>	

(5) Rabies vaccinations require an appropriate rabies certificate. The certificate is considered part of the medical record and must contain at least the following information:

- (a) Owner's name, address, and telephone number;
- (b) Species, age, breed, sex, size, name, and predominant colors/markings;

- (c) Month, day, and year of vaccination;
- (d) Month, day, and year of next vaccination due date;
- (e) Product name and identification of manufacturer;
- (f) Effective date of vaccine, example: One year, three years;
- (g) Vaccine serial or lot number; and
- (h) Veterinarian's name, license number, address, and signature.

~~((10))~~ (6) To be authorized to dispense pharmaceuticals, an unregistered assistant(~~s~~) must be registered as a veterinary medication clerk under chapter 246-937 WAC.

~~((11) Emergency animal care. Under conditions of an emergency, a licensed veterinary technician and unregistered assistant may render certain life saving aid to an animal patient.~~

~~(a) A licensed veterinary technician may:~~

~~(i) Apply emergency cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first-aid procedures and all tasks as listed in subsections (3), (4), (5), and (6) of this section;~~

~~(ii) Administer pharmacologic agents and parenteral fluids only after communication with a veterinarian.~~

~~(b) An unregistered assistant may:~~

~~(i) Apply noninvasive cardiopulmonary resuscitation and basic first aid procedures;~~

~~(ii) Provide other aid upon the order of a licensed veterinarian as outlined in this section.)~~