Access to Higher Education Unit

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Unit Title: Obligations of a Veterinary Professional

Graded Unit Reference Number: GA33VET02

Ungraded Unit Reference Number: UA33VET02

Module: Veterinary

Level: Three (3)

Credit Value: Three (3)

Minimum Guided Learning Hours: 30

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand key areas of the Veterinary Surgeon's Act 1966 and Codes of Professional Conduct for Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Nurses	1.1 Discuss the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 in relation to the administration of treatment to animals
	1.2 Explain the process of obtaining "informed consent"
	1.3 Define the concept of "whistleblowing" and outline the process
	1.4 Identify and explain the difference between negligence and malpractice
	1.5 Discuss the difference between statutory and non-statutory regulation, and its implications for clinical staff
2. Understand and apply key ethical theories	2.1 Discuss a veterinary scenario from the standpoint of a Utilitarianism, Deontology or Virtue Ethics school
3. Understand key areas of the Animal Welfare Act 2006	3.1 Summarise the Five Needs in relation to companion animal welfare and the potential consequences for humans, from non-compliance
	3.2 Discuss a species-specific example of the Five Needs, to achieve appropriate standards of animal welfare

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4.	Understand the requirements of a range of key legislation and regulation relating to health and safety in UK clinical practice	4.1	Discuss the requirements within two pieces of legislation pertaining to veterinary practice; may include: COSHH 2002, RIDDOR 2013, Ionising Radiation Regulations 2017, Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2005 (not exhaustive)
		4.2	Identify examples of hazards, to include physical (to include humans and animals), chemical and biological

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