**High Plains Technology Center**

**Health Careers**

**Learning Activity Packet (LAP) for Veterinary Assistants**

**Related unit of instruction:**

Routine Duties in a Veterinary Clinic

**Approximate Completion time:**

30 hours

**Rationale for the Lap:**

This LAP is designed to prepare the student to maintain a veterinary clinic. This will include orderliness and sanitation of the office and clinic areas.

**Criteria for successful completion:**

By the end of this LAP the student will

1. Read and turn in work sheets for Chapter 7 in Sirois’ *Veterinary Assisting Textbook*, Workbook and text, Elsevier, 2013.
2. Pass the test for the chapter

**Learning Objective:**

Animal Husbandry and Nutrition Chapter 7

1. Discuss general housekeeping concerns in the veterinary practice.
2. List basic energy-producing and non-energy-producing nutrients.
3. Describe considerations for feeing young and adult dogs.
4. Describe considerations for feeding young and adult cats.
5. Discuss the fundamentals of exotic pet diet considerations.
6. Explain nutritional peculiarities of livestock.
7. Give examples of methods used in feeding livestock.
8. Discuss basic differences in the digestive tracts of ruminants and monogastric animals.
9. List and describe common diseases and ways in which they can affect people.
10. Discuss methods used to control spread of zoonotic diseases.
11. Explain the general principles underlying disease prevention.
12. Discuss features of appropriate housing and nutrition for animals.
13. List and discuss types of vaccinations and schedules of vaccinations for domestic animal species.
14. Explain the principles of sanitation that relate to disease prevention.
15. Describe factors that predispose to disease.