

**169.20 Veterinary assistants.**

1. A veterinarian may employ certified veterinary assistants for any purpose other than diagnosis, prescription or surgery. Veterinary assistants must act under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

2. The board shall issue certificates to veterinary assistants who have met the educational, experience and testing requirements as the board shall specify by rule. The certificate is not a license and does not expire. The certificate may be suspended or revoked, or any other disciplinary action may be taken as specified in [section 272C.3, subsection 2](#). All disciplinary actions shall be taken pursuant to [section 169.14](#).

[83 Acts, ch 115, §1](#)

Referred to in [§169.4](#)