

Criticalist– Cornell University Veterinary Specialists (CUVS)

Stamford, Connecticut

Cornell University Veterinary Specialists (CUVS) is seeking a **board-certified Emergency and Critical Care specialist**. Proficiency or interest in emergency surgery is desirable. This position offers a unique hybrid of private practice efficiency and academic engagement.

Why CUVS?

CUVS is a singular hospital. We are a private practice with the strength and stability of being an independent subsidiary of Cornell University—offering the best of both worlds, and something genuinely unique. As a university-affiliated hospital, we will never be sold, and our culture reflects the long-term investment we make in our people. We are **doctor-led**, and deeply committed to a culture built on collaboration, communication, mutual respect, and lifelong learning. Our specialists play a true leadership role in medical and organizational decision-making.

Our ECC service is well established and highly supported, and includes five criticalists, five ECC residents, six experienced emergency clinicians, and multiple highly trained veterinary nurses (including VTSs). Critical care works closely with our other specialty services, including Internal Medicine, Surgery, Diagnostic Imaging, Oncology, Ophthalmology, Cardiology, Anesthesiology, and Dentistry-Oral Surgery. We emphasize evidence-based medicine, shared decision-making, and a patient-centered care model.

Our facility supports advanced diagnostics and therapeutics, including a dedicated ICU, mechanical ventilation, high-flow nasal oxygen, an in-house blood bank, viscoelastic coagulation monitoring, 128-slice CT, endoscopy, and fluoroscopy. A large and complex caseload, combined with clients committed to high-level care, enables robust clinical practice.

As a Cornell-affiliated institution, opportunities include teaching, mentorship, and participation in clinical investigations.

Compensation and Benefits

CUVS offers a highly competitive compensation package, including:

- Attractive salary with substantial earning potential
- Matching 401(k)
- Comprehensive medical, dental, disability, and life insurance
- Pet insurance reimbursement
- Four weeks of time off plus one week of CE annually
- Support for continuing education and professional development
- Access to Cornell's electronic library and subscriptions

Location

CUVS is located in Harbor Point (Stamford, Connecticut), a coastal community offering:

- Immediate proximity to waterfront recreation

- Convenient access to commuter rail and major highways
- A 45-minute commute to New York City
- Easy access to the broader Northeast and New England

Inquiries and applications:

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