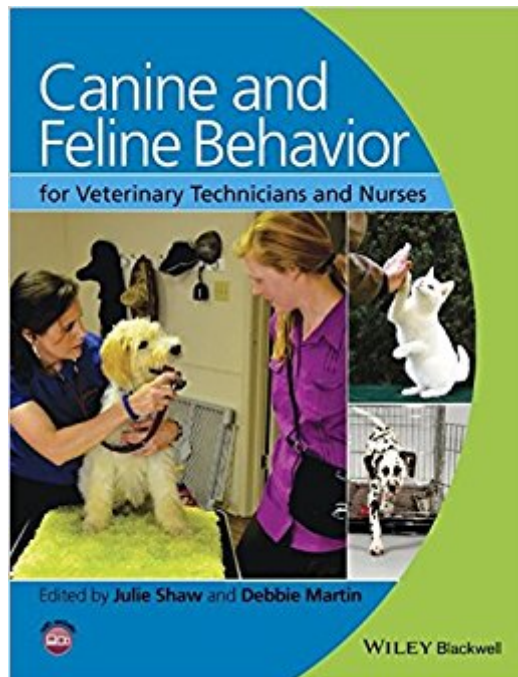




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# Canine And Feline Behavior For Veterinary Technicians And Nurses



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"Veterinary technicians are in the primary and pivotal position to prevent behavior problems, protect and strengthen the human animal bond and be the catalyst for Fear Free veterinary visits. This book has been long needed and will help your hospital reach those goals. Achieve these goals and you thrive, it's that simple. This book is a must have in every veterinary hospital

library. Read it and reap (the benefits)!" – Dr. Marty Becker "America's Veterinarian" "Taking the pet out of petrified...puts pets back into practices" "There are few people with the breadth of experience as Julie Shaw to understand the importance of an integrated team approach to problem behaviour management, and even fewer who can communicate so articulately. Julie is a rare talent and this book is a "must have" for every veterinary clinic." Daniel S. Mills BVSc PhD CBiol FSB FHEA CCAB Dip ECAWBM(BM) MRCVSEuropean & RCVS Recognised Specialist in Veterinary Behavioural Medicine – "I believe it will be a great resource for veterinary technicians and anyone else interested in the clinical veterinary behavior of dogs and cats." (Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association, 15 March 2015)

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- Equips veterinary technicians with a thorough grounding in behavioral medicine to help them better understand and care for their patients
- Presents practical information for managing canine and feline behavior cases
- Focuses on the technician's central role in behavior medicine, emphasizing opportunities for coordinating and assisting the behavioral health care team to ensure that it is effective and efficient
- Offers advice on effective client communication to better educate pet owners and assist the veterinarian with behavioral intervention
- Provides a full understanding of the behavioral, mental, and emotional needs of canine and feline patients
- Includes access to a companion website offering forms, handouts, and the images from the book for download


This is a wonderful resource for anyone that is interested in animals. It is especially beneficial for

anyone in the veterinary field. It is an easy read and contains a lot of very useful information.

Wonderful resource. The authors do great seminars. They know what they are talking about and writing about.

Good review with charts and very good descriptions

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This review originally appeared on my blog at [www.gimmethatbook.com](http://www.gimmethatbook.com). Thanks to Wiley-Blackwell for offering me this textbook in exchange for an honest review. This comprehensive textbook contains 9 chapters and 3 appendices, and is geared towards the veterinary technician, rather than the veterinarian. Oftentimes, it's the technician that assesses the patient before the doctor enters the room, and can be indispensable in offering guidance and advice to weary pet owners. The chapters read as follows: The role of the veterinary technician in animal behavior, canine behavior and development, feline behavior and development, the human-animal bond, communication and connecting the animal behavior team, learning and behavior modification, problem prevention, specific behavior modification techniques and practical application for behavior disorders, introductory neurophysiology and psychopharmacology. As you can see, there is a chapter for everything, with the final one discussing medications as a last resort. The chapters can be read progressively, or referred to here and there to educate a client on a particular issue. The focus here is to understand the patient and correct bad habits in a way that the pet will accept, without cruelty or harsh discipline. The book advises that shock collars or physical punishment is not akin to learning, and so is not the best method to use. Also very helpful is the chapter about communication and connecting the behavior team. Occasionally there will be that animal that will not resolve its behavior, no matter how hard the owner tries. If euthanasia is being considered, there will be many different ways the owner may react, and the book goes through the stages of grief and how to help the owner through this hard time. The book is accompanied by many color photos, graphs, tables, and diagrams illustrating the text and adding another level of understanding. Here is an example of a schematic that gives a great deal of information at a glance:  Flowcharts are usually easy to read, and this one also has notes at the bottom that correlate with the numbers in the red circles. Both beginning and experienced behavior techs will appreciate what this book has to offer, and their patients will too! The appendices (found after chapter 9) are broken

down into Forms and Questionnaires, Training Exercises, and Samples and Letters. There is also a companion website that offers handouts, review questions, and additional images. There is a lot packed into this text, and technicians will be better able to assist the veterinarian after becoming familiar with the material covered. Even if the technician is not part of the full time behavioral staff, they will be able to educate the client thoroughly and become more adept at handling patients. Wiley has created another indispensable book for the veterinary technician! You can pick up your copy here.

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