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To City & Guilds,

Garston Veterinary Group is a large veterinary partnership based in Frome Somerset. The practice treats farm animals, horses and companion animals and we currently employ over 90 members of staff including a number of veterinary nurses and animal care assistants.

As an employer within the Veterinary sector, we would like to provide our support to City & Guilds. We feel that the following qualification is suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time, and will give that young person an advantage when applying for a job or progressing onto an apprenticeship or further learning.

Garston Veterinary Group support the inclusion of City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma for Veterinary Care Assistants (0448-02) 600/0106/9 for inclusion on the DfE 2017 performance tables in the substantial vocational qualifications at level 2 category.

We feel the progression opportunities into employment are:

- Veterinary Care Assistant
- Animal Nursing Assistant

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the DfE and City & Guilds websites.

Yours faithfully,

N.A. Brimson MRCVS Partner Garston Veterinary Group