

Below is the position description for our open extension veterinarian position at Penn State. If you wish to obtain more detailed information feel free to contact myself (rjv10@psu.edu) or Ernest Hovingh (eph1@psu.edu).

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EXTENSION VETERINARIAN/SENIOR RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

DESCRIPTION

The College of Agricultural Sciences is seeking an enthusiastic individual for an Extension Veterinarian/Senior Research Associate position, who will join a dynamic and successful team of extension veterinarians based in the Department of Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences at University Park to participate in state-wide, national, and international programming. Focusing on one or more of the major food-animal industries in Pennsylvania, the efforts of the incumbent are expected to yield improvements in animal well-being, biosecurity, feed safety, pre-harvest food safety, livestock health, and/or public health. As such, the incumbent's role will help underpin the sustainability of animal industries in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The expectation is for a 60% extension, 30% research, and 10% teaching assignment. Extension: The successful candidate will interact with livestock producers, veterinarians, allied industries, and/or government partners through both face-to-face and online interactions to encourage adoption of management practices that reduce risks to animal and public health from infectious and non-infectious agents. She or he will develop, implement, and evaluate innovative educational products and programs consistent with the Penn State's vision of expanding the reach of, and access to, education. The candidate must therefore be comfortable delivering education in-person, and with common workplace software, and must become proficient in online education, including through Penn State Extension's innovative "Atlas" system (<http://agsci.psu.edu/atlas>). Also included in the expectations is the provision of expertise to Penn State Extension's Animal Feed Working Group in educating key industry partners concerning the new Food Safety Modernization Act feed safety regulations, and assisting as needed in addressing biosecurity emergencies, such as foreign animal disease outbreaks. The incumbent will represent the Penn State Extension brand in activities with other Extension team members, academic colleagues, stakeholders and customers. Research/Field Investigation: The successful candidate will obtain funding for, and undertake, high profile, cutting-edge, integrated and applied research programs in collaboration with colleagues at Penn State and other institutions to enable creative innovations that offset current and future threats to animal and/or public health. He or she will also respond to inquiries and requests for information and will undertake field investigations in concert with the Penn State Animal Diagnostic Laboratory. Teaching: The successful applicant will contribute to undergraduate education, including lectures and/or labs in courses related to her/his areas of expertise, and to the training of graduate students. Other Expectations: The successful incumbent will remain active in relevant professional organizations and associations. Consistent with Penn State policies, the faculty member

is expected to be a good citizen in the Department and to serve on Departmental, College and University committees as appropriate. She or he should comply with all relevant policies and maintain high ethical standards. Qualifications: We are seeking an individual with a DVM or VMD degree from an AVMA-accredited college/university. At least 2, and preferably 5, years of clinical food animal practice experience are preferred. Experience with the design and conduct of applied research projects is highly desired, and an individual who possesses an MS, PhD, and/or relevant board certification is preferred. The ability to travel and legally operate a motor vehicle in Pennsylvania is an expectation of this position and successful completion of a motor vehicle records check will be required in addition to standard background checks. The ability to engage professionally with a diverse population of faculty, staff, and students across the university and community is required. The ability to speak Spanish is preferred, but not mandatory. Position Details: This is a fixed-term, multi-year appointment funded for an initial five years from date of hire, with excellent possibility of re-funding. The Pennsylvania State University is a Land-Grant university located in central Pennsylvania. State College and the surrounding communities are home to approximately 100,000 people, including over 45,000 students. The area is known for its beautiful mountains, streams, and parks, as well as superb sports and recreational opportunities. State College has an excellent school system and offers a multitude of cultural events. To Apply: Please upload a letter of application, including a summary of how you meet the qualifications, a summary of current and future extension and research activities, a current curriculum vitae, academic transcripts if at an early career stage, a brief statement of professional career interests and goals, and the names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of at least three professional references. Inquiries should be directed to Dr. Ernest Hovingh (eph1@psu.edu), Chair of the Search Committee. Review of applications will begin February 15, 2017 and continue until a suitable candidate is identified.

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