

Agriculture State Veterinarian/Deputy G47271

DESCRIPTION OF OCCUPATIONAL WORK

This is professional managerial work in assisting the State Veterinarian in performance of his/her responsibilities for the protection of the health of domestic livestock. Employees in this class develop rules and regulations governing the function and control of all activities related to disease eradication for all species of livestock and poultry. Also, employee performs as acting State Veterinarian in his/her absence. Supervision is received through daily coordination of programs and reports with the State Veterinarian and the Director of Agriculture; performs related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (A position may not be assigned all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the duties that may be assigned.)

Assists the State Veterinarian in administering disease eradication and control for all species of livestock and poultry, such as anthrax, brucellosis, tuberculosis, Trichomoniasis, and related poultry diseases.

Assists the State Veterinarian in administering the procedures for licensing livestock auction markets, dealers, rendering plants, pet feed manufacturing, garbage feeding and registration of livestock remedies.

Administers and supervises the inspection of all livestock movement through concentration points, interstate and intrastate movements and inspection of pet feed and rendering establishments.

Assists the State Veterinarian in making on-the-spot decisions pertaining to the direction that should be taken when livestock are infected or exposed to infections, contagious or other transmissible specific diseases.

Determines personnel training needs and provides training.

Assists in the administration of the budget and allocation of funds.

Provides for collection of fees during inspection and licensing of livestock facilities.

Performs appropriate administrative reports.

Participates in public relation functions and education programs.

Responsible for assuring that any violations of regulations and statutory powers are properly corrected.

Participates in administrative hearings and consultations with the State Veterinarian and the Director of Agriculture.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES REQUIRED: (These are needed to perform the work assigned.)

Knowledge of: the scope and impact of the operations and activities directed and their relationship with programs and units within the agency; the organizational structure, functions, policies, and standards of the agency; source material and guidelines for resolving problems not covered by precedent or established policies of the agency; the organizational structure, functional relationships, and administrative processes of the executive and legislative branches of state government; the federal and state laws and administrative regulations.

Ability to: understand and support management policies and procedures that impact on established short and long term goals; develop and evaluate options and plans of administrative/program operations and activities; develop and implement program objectives and performance goals; assess staff progress toward achievement of program objectives and adherence with program standards.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: (Applicants will be screened for possession of these qualifications. Applicants who need accommodation in the selection process should request this in advance.)

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from an approved college, State of Nebraska Veterinary License and USDA accreditation in the State of Nebraska. Two years experience in regulatory veterinary medicine or equivalent experience in managing and supervising a veterinary clinic or practice.

SPECIAL NOTES:

State agencies are responsible to evaluate each of their positions to determine their individual overtime eligibility status as required by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

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Note: Classification-specification is subject to change. Please refer to the Nebraska State Personnel Job Specification website at <https://das.nebraska.gov/personnel/classcomp/jobspecs/jobspecs.html> to ensure this represents the most current copy of the description.

The following is a summary of changes made to this class specification.

Section	Change Description	Effective Date
Minimum Qualifications	Minor wording updates	2/21/2023