

ANIMAL CARE VETERINARY

Function of Job:

Under general direction from designated administrator, supervise, manage, and oversee care and use of vertebrate animals used in research and teaching at the university; provide basic veterinary services to laboratory animals and large agricultural animals, and ensure compliance with all regulations.

Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Ensure compliance with federal, state, local, and university regulations governing animal care and use for all university animal facilities, including monitoring and oversight of daily activities, coordinating animal facility inspections by committees, assisting committees with reports, compiling statistics for federal and other reports as assigned, and serving as liaison for all federal and state animal program inspections.
2. Provide basic veterinary care and monitor health of laboratory animals and agricultural animals used in research and/or teaching.
3. Manage designated animal care facilities by planning and directing animal care activities and facility maintenance, including budget management, renovation, and utilization, as assigned.
4. Advise, consult, and instruct faculty, staff, and students regarding animal use and care issues, techniques, and regulations.
5. Train faculty, staff, and students in laboratory animal science and train personnel in maintenance of animal health and technical research manipulations.
6. Develop and/or present programs concerning research animal care and use for internal and external audiences.
7. Consult and/or assist university committees, administrators or units in such areas as animal care and use issues, regulatory requirements, and animal facilities.
8. Hire, train, and evaluate staff as assigned.
9. Ensure safety of laboratory, materials, and equipment as required.
10. Perform related duties as assigned.

Minimum Acceptable Qualifications:

1. Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM/VMD) and two years of experience with laboratory and/or large animals, including one year of supervision.
2. Strong interpersonal skills.
3. Possession of NH Veterinary License or ability to obtain such license.
4. Computer skills as required by department.
5. Must be able to wear and use appropriate protective clothing and equipment as necessary.

Additional Desirable Qualifications:

1. Teaching experience.
2. Budget experience.

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