VETERINARIAN SENIOR

KIND OF WORK

Advanced administrative and supervisory veterinary work.

NATURE AND PURPOSE

An employee in this class is responsible for planning and directing a statewide program for the control and eradication of diseases of animals and poultry, and for supervising the execution of technical and clerical activities. Work includes the establishment and enforcement of policies and procedures subject to final approval.

EXAMPLES OF WORK  (A position may not include all the work examples given, nor does the list include all that may be assigned.)

Assigns, supervises and reviews the work of veterinarians in one of the major animal disease control and eradication programs such as tuberculosis, brucellosis, anaplasmosis, hog cholera, scabies and poultry diseases to prevent the spread of diseases.

Assists the Secretary and Executive Officer in preparing the budget; promulating rules, selecting personnel, arranging for training, and devising field and office procedures so that the livestock sanitary board is adequately funded, staffed, and directed to affectively carry out its mission.

Implements, plans and directs programs and develops improved methods and procedures so that productivity of the livestock sanitary board and its staff is maximized.

Interprets laws and rules and gives information to animal and poultry owners, veterinarians and the general public so that diseases can be detected and prevented from spreading.

Performs related work as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of:

Extensive knowledge of the principles and practices used in the control and eradication of infectious and communicable diseases in animals and poultry.

Thorough knowledge of principles and practices of veterinary medicine.
Thorough knowledge of state and federal laws and rules pertaining to the control and eradication of infectious and communicable diseases in animal and poultry.

Knowledge of disease existing in foreign countries which might be introduced into the state.

Ability to:

Ability to organize and direct operations in the field, office and laboratory.

Ability to interpret laws and rules and gives information to animal and poultry owners, veterinarians, and the general public.

Ability to communicate both orally and in writing.

LEGAL/LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Possession of a valid license to practice veterinary medicine in Minnesota.

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