

## **Clinical Laboratory Animal Veterinarian**

Medical Science & Computing, Inc. (MSC) is searching for a Clinical Laboratory Animal Veterinarian to support the National Institutes of Health (NIH). This opportunity is a full-time position with Medical Science and Computing, Inc and it is on-site at Rocky Mountain Laboratories (RML) / National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Hamilton, Montana.

### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Provides guidance on the administration of the RML Animal Care and Use Program and management of the program in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and policies. Helps ensure the goals of AAALAC accreditation are met.
- Provides veterinary clinical support to all laboratory animal species housed in RML animal facilities; including but not limited to disease diagnosis and treatment, collection of tissue and blood samples, interpret hematological, blood chemistry, and other physiological data, perform x-ray and ultrasound studies, surgical interventions, animal quarantine procedures, endoscopic procedures, pain and distress management, and standard animal colony support.
- Assists with the coordination and guidance of the research and animal experiment development activities of RML researchers. Provides consultative services to investigators and answers inquiries regarding selection of appropriate animal models, animal physiology, nutrition, genetics, disease, breeding, and environmental conditions.
- Manages the development of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and monitoring of compliance with SOPs within RML animal facilities.
- Provides specific experimental animal procedure training to laboratory animal technicians and investigators.
- Participate in development of new methods for telemetry in infectious disease animal models.
- Actively participates in periodic meetings with RMVB and other RML personnel to stay informed on current and future projects, policies and procedure matters.
- Participate in and support the full range of animal research projects undertaken by RML investigators.
- Interacts directly with RML Laboratory Chiefs, investigators, visiting scientists, technical staff, and the biosafety and safety staff.

### **Travel and Training Requirements:**

- The incumbent is required to obtain a minimum of 25 Continuing Education (CE) credits in veterinary/laboratory animal medicine per year. Associated expenses will be the responsibility of the contractor.
- Incumbent will be required to successfully complete all requirements and training for working in the high/maximum containment facilities (ABSL-3 and ABSL-4); all training will be conducted on site.
- Training in novel laboratory techniques may be required.

### **Other Requirements:**

- The RMVB provides 24/7 support for laboratory animal colonies, this necessitates the incumbent be on call after hours and on weekends and holidays. The normal work shift will be an alternate work schedule; during any 2 week (14 day) period the incumbent will work 8, 9-hour days and 1, 8-hour day, with every other Friday off. However, the incumbent will be required to work weekends/holidays as dictated by ongoing research needs.
- Incumbent must be able to successfully complete a background check and security clearance required for working with "Select Agents".
- Incumbent must be physically capable of working and performing duties within the positive pressure suit required for access to the ABSL-4 environment.

### **Specific Qualifications:**

- Position requires a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree and current licensure in at least one US State.

- Minimum 8 years related experience. A minimum of 3 of those years must be experience as a clinical veterinarian for laboratory animal research facility.
- Experience and knowledge of current requirements for Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees (IACUC) and animal research laws and regulations.

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