

Research Scientist Supervisor II (Veterinary Sciences) Antimicrobial Resistance Program



Position Availability: Beginning approximately August 2016 until filled

Location: Sacramento

Salary: \$7,916-\$9,861 per month

(Plus salary increases in 2016, 2017 and 2018 expected to be announced shortly)

Position:

Antimicrobial Use and Stewardship Services (AUSS) is the State's program intended to promote actions that will slow the development of resistant bacteria associated with livestock and poultry that have negative public and animal health impact. The Research Scientist Supervisor II reports to the State Veterinarian and will have overarching responsibility for implementing and maintaining an effective program. Successful implementation will require close communication with diverse stakeholders, hiring and supervising appropriate staff, managing contracts for additional expertise as needed, and developing and implementing relevant and effective program goals and strategic plans. Within the California Department of Food and Agriculture, besides working with Animal Health and Food Safety Services division staff, the incumbent will also work closely with staff in the Inspection Services division that are responsible for approving and monitoring sales of antibiotics for use in livestock and poultry in feed and at retail stores.

Responsibilities:

- ❖ Provide scientific guidance for the development and implementation of policies, procedures, and regulations pertaining to the antimicrobial stewardship and antimicrobial resistance monitoring programs
- ❖ Recruit, interview, hire, and train employees on new policies, laws, and regulations to ensure program activities are in compliance
- ❖ Oversee, review, and direct the creation and implementation of the AUSS program budget, including the review of funding and expenditure projections
- ❖ Coordinate with staff to ensure the program is being effectively and efficiently established and maintained according to science-based principles and with the appropriate distribution of personnel and equipment
- ❖ Research and compile solicitations and coordinate funding from the federal government and other sources
- ❖ Review and approve compiled information, including laboratory analyses and statistical data obtained from research, investigation, and surveillance projects, and develop or approve written conclusions based on sound scientific data
- ❖ Review and submit progress reports required to maintain funding or meet legislated obligations
- ❖ Prepare, provide, or review and approve communication with stakeholders, other agencies, and the public, ensuring program goals, objectives, successes, and challenges are well understood
- ❖ Represent the program and act as the State's expert on livestock and poultry related AUSS issues on or before committees and at public meetings and conferences as requested by the State Veterinarian

Additional Requirements:

- ❖ Valid license to practice as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine issued by the Board of Examiners in Veterinary Medicine for the State of California (prior to or within the first 12 months of employment)

For More Information Contact:

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