



**NIFA Veterinary Medicine
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Veterinarian Shortage Situation Nomination Form

To be completed by the State or Insular Area Animal Health Official

Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP)

Nomination of Veterinarian Shortage Situations for the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP) Authorized Under the National Veterinary Medical Service Act (NVMSA)

Note: Please submit one separate nomination form for each position. See solicitation for number of nominations permitted for your state or insular area.

Location of Veterinary Shortage Area for this Nomination

Note: If this nomination is for a public practice position, please provide the location of the home office or the center of service area.

Location of Veterinary Shortage: Area consisting of Cowley, Elk, Chautauqua, Montgomery, Wilson, Woodson, and Greenwood Counties, KS
(e.g., County, State/Insular Area)

Center of Service Area or Location of Position: Wilson County
(e.g., Address or Cross Street, Town/City, and Zip Code)

Type of Veterinary Practice Area/Discipline/Specialty

Type I Shortage: Private Practice

Food Animal Medicine (at least 80 percent time)

Please select **one or more** specialties requested for this position:

- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Swine
- Poultry
- Small Ruminant
- Other : _____

Type II Shortage: Private Practice – Rural Area

Food Animal Medicine (at least 30 percent time)

Please select **one or more** specialties requested for this position:

- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Swine
- Poultry
- Small Ruminant
- Other : _____

Type III Shortage: Public Practice (at least 49 percent time*)

Employer: _____ Position Title: _____

Please select **one or more** specialty/disciplinary areas.

- Food Safety
- Public Health
- Epidemiology
- Other: _____

Please describe the objectives of a veterinarian meeting this shortage situation as well as being located in the community, area, state/insular area, or position requested above (limit your response to 200 words or less).

1. Maintain a viable and ongoing food animal herd health and preventive medicine program for those owner/operators of small and large animal concentration units. This geographical area is considered to have a high food animal population compared to the areas and counties of eastern Kansas.
2. Maintain a food animal veterinary presence in those cases where potential bioterrorism threats exist. A trained food animal veterinarian in FAD recognition and part of the production team of an owner/operator is an information source for logistics, client relations, and initial workup of the problem.
3. Presence of a food animal veterinarian for emergency and production disasters when they occur where time and financial elements are critical.

Please describe the activities of a veterinarian meeting this shortage situation and being located in the community, area, state/insular area, or position requested above (limit your response to 200 words or less).

1. Regulatory functions (State/Fed) involving import/export activities, COVI, and cooperative disease programs.
2. Veterinary consulting in production management and herd health programs.
3. Providing specific veterinary medical and surgery expertise at the farm or production level.
4. Providing general veterinary and nutritional information in those production units who cannot afford specific area consultants.
5. Some areas require veterinary expertise in food animal markets or sale barns where animal health and regulatory functions interact for movement of animals.

Please describe any past efforts to recruit and retain a veterinarian in the shortage situation identified above (limit your response to 100 words or less).

Various avenues of veterinarian recruitment have been attempted:

1. Advertising in College of Veterinary Medicine's newsletter and web site; association newsletters and website.
2. Food animal associations e.g. AABP and AASV
3. Kansas State University Careers Opportunities Workshop Class
 - a. Veterinarians having more to go to the student rather than vice versa

Please describe the risk of this veterinarian position not being secured or retained. Include the risk(s) to the production of a safe and wholesome food supply and to animal, human, and environmental health not only in the community but in the region, state/insular area, nation, and/or international community (limit your response to 250 words or less).

1. Financial impact on production unit with no or limited veterinary presence in the county or area.
2. National security issue when a trained or qualified food animal veterinarian is unavailable and FAD is either suspect or confirmed in either an intentional or unintentional event.

Please indicate whether you consider this situation/position a candidate for a "service in emergency" agreement (limit your response to 100 words or less). Please see solicitations for additional information regarding the obligation of participants who enter into the "Service in Emergency" agreement. [LEAVE BLANK – NOT FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN 2010]

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George Teagarden

Type Name

3-08-2010

Date

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