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Veterinarian Shortage Situation Nomination Form

To be completed by the chief State or Insular Area Animal Health Official or his/her designee

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: Cache County, Utah
(e.g., County, State/Insular Area)

Center of Service Area or
 Location of Position: 715 South 250 East, Richmond, Utah 84333
(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 : Equine

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. Insure the continued existence of a veterinary practice in Richmond, Utah to serve the private practice needs of Cache County which has a population of over 112,000. Cash receipts for Livestock in Cache County is \$76,978,000. There are 10,000 head of beef cows and 16,000 head of dairy cows.
2. Accreditation for the practicing veterinarian in order to address program disease needs of federal and state governments. As an example, tuberculosis, and brucellosis program monitoring and testing.
3. Be able to perform antemortem and postmortem inspection of animals intended for human consumption at the small state inspected facilities in this county.
4. Act as a professional resource to the community regarding zoonotic diseases especially endemic to Northern Utah. (e.g., plague, hanta virus, hydatid disease)
5. Address the companion animal needs of the ranching and farming communities, along with those needs of the small rural municipalities in Cache County in reference to their public health, rabies, and pet over-population mandates.

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).

We envision this veterinarian to come into practice with Dr. Sidney Hansen whose practice continues to grow. This practice is now not only addressing the food animal health needs in Cache County but the practice meets those same needs of those who produce food and fiber in Southern Idaho as well. This veterinarian would base their practice from this clinic. Because of the remote nature of this county, this practitioner would need to have a mobile unit from which to practice from during farm and ranch calls. The fixed facility is capable of addressing emergency small and large animal needs. There is also a Livestock Auction (Smithfield Livestock Auction) that requires an accredited veterinarian.

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).

Dr. Hansen has tried to recruit new graduates to the area but due to the income restriction that come with working in the food animal industry, his efforts have been fruitless. There is a new graduate that would be interested in returning if there was a financial incentive in reference to help with student loans.

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).

Due to the location of this practice in reference to the State Border, a lot of movement between Idaho and Utah occurs. This presents a unique situation in that health requirements have to be met even when traveling from one community to another. This makes the accessibility of a veterinarian imperative. Because of the amount of animals both wild and domestic, the chances of zoonotic diseases is very high in these rural communities of Northern Utah. Cattle come to the area for sale at the Smithfield Livestock Auction from three different states. This requires testing for program diseases (Trichomoniasis, Brucellosis, Tuberculosis)

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.

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