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VETERINARIAN

Nature of Work

Under general supervision, performs professional work at the full-performance level examining horses or dogs at race tracks to assess the general health and ability to race. Administers programs and regulations involving the well being of horses or dogs at the race track. Performs related work as required.

Examples of Work

Assesses the competitive fitness of race horses/dogs by direct examination for health soundness and injuries.

Conducts urine or blood sampling for chemical analysis.

Enforces medication regulations and administers health and medication programs.

Determines when a horse/dog is fit to be taken off the disabled list.

Treats emergencies when necessary.

Provides information to and serves as liaison among racing officials, other veterinarians, and state and federal officials.

Maintains treatment and performance records; prepares reports. Trains and supervises veterinarian assistants.

Knowledges, Skills, and Abilities

Knowledge of the principles and practices of veterinary medicine.

Knowledge of federal and state laws and regulations pertaining to racing, medications, and animal health.

Skill in various medical procedures and the use of instruments to examine horses/dogs.

Ability to apply standard medical and program practices, techniques and principles of the work described.

Ability to plan, organize, supervise and coordinate the work of professional and technical support staff.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with officials, professionals, other employees and the general public.

Minimum Qualifications

TRAINING A Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine.

EXPERIENCE Two years of full-time or equivalent part-time paid experience in veterinary medicine.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT Must be licensed by the West Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine.

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