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TITLE LOCATION	ANNUAL SALARY POSITION #	APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY:
Veterinary Specialist Department of Agriculture Animal Health Location: Pulaski County/Little Rock Hiring Authority: #1 Natural Resources Drive Little Rock, AR 72205 Phone: 501/219-6362 Email: alex.johnston@agriculture.arkansas.gov Standard State of Arkansas employment application required. Apply online: http://arcareers.arkansas.gov	Entry Level Salary: \$118,399 Grade MED09 Position #22169291 REQ ID # 52423	Open Until Filled

Minimum Qualifications:

- Must possess a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from an American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) – accredited school of veterinary medicine.
- Three years of experience in the diagnosis and management of animal diseases.

Licensure/Certifications:

- Must be a licensed Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in the State of Arkansas by the Veterinary Medical Examining Board.
- Must possess USDA National Veterinary Accreditation Program (NVAP) Category II accreditation.

Knowledge and Skills:

- Comprehensive understanding of physiology, anatomy, and pathology across various animal species.
- Familiarity with state and federal regulations for reporting animal diseases.
- Expertise in veterinary pathology test modalities, including sample requirements and result interpretation.
- Proficiency in operating necropsy equipment (mechanical hoist, bandsaw, surgical instruments) and standard laboratory equipment.
- Physical capability to lift over 20 pounds and remain standing for extended periods.

- Ability to work safely with exposure to chemicals, chemical odors, and animal tissues/fluids.
- Ability to assess animal health challenges and develop evidence-based solutions.
- Leadership and team coordination abilities to support field inspectors, veterinarians, and emergency response teams.
- Strong communication and public speaking skills to educate industry professionals, government officials, and the public.
- Crisis management and adaptability to respond swiftly to disease outbreaks and public health emergencies.