Employment Opportunity: NCVMB Inspector

The North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board is seeking a part time veterinarian or registered veterinary technician to serve as a Practice Facility Inspector for the south-eastern part of the state. Duties would include conducting routine biennial inspections of approximately 425 licensed facilities and mobile practices, as well as new practices and ownership changes. The employee will provide guidance and direction on all facility issues to licensees in the area. The area comprises the south-eastern 39 counties of the state.

Work load would be approximately 20 to 25 hours per week with about 12,000 miles driven per year. The employee is able to set up their own work schedule to meet their responsibilities. The employee should reside within the south-eastern part of the State to maximize their efficiency.

The employee is paid on an hourly rate commensurate with experience and qualifications. Mileage and meals are reimbursed. Occasional trips to the Raleigh office will be expected (3x/year). State Statute prevent a NC licensee or registrant from practicing in North Carolina while employed as an inspector by the Board.

The employee is expected to be professional, possess good interpersonal communication skills, work efficiently without direct supervision, be well organized, a self-starter, and have good computer skills and technical competency. The qualified applicant needs to be either a DVM or RVT.

Questions regarding the position can be referred to the current Inspection Supervisor, Dr. Joseph Wright at jwright@ncvmb.org. Email a cover letter and resume to the NCVMB Executive Director, Dr. Schadler, at tschadler@ncvmb.org. The NCVMB is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer.
New Board Members

Mr. Tim Gold and Dr. Mike Martin

Mr. Tim Gold

Tim Gold is the founder of the National LGBT Museum, a position well suited to his background as an educator, collections specialist, and project manager for the Smithsonian’s National Postal Museum. While at the Smithsonian, Tim engineered Arago, the museum’s award-winning online collections database and research center.

Tim has a passion for the written word—as an avid reader and as a collector of rare books ranging from Moby Dick to Winnie the Pooh. His collection also includes early gay publications and ephemera from the late gay activist Frank Kameny. In addition, he and his husband, Mitchell Gold, have built an extensive art collection, with an emphasis on Outsider Art, and have served on the Madison Council at the Library of Congress.

Tim resides in Conover, North Carolina at his lakeside home, Camp Hickory, where he and Mitchell operate Tim Gold Dog Training housed in a state-of-the-art training facility just steps away from their lakefront property. Tim also trains and fosters puppies for the local humane society.

Dr. Mike Martin

On Aug. 1, 2021, Dr. Mike Martin stepped into his new role as State Veterinarian. Previously, he served as the Poultry Section Head for the NCDA&CS Veterinary Division. In that role he had oversight of all poultry program operations within the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. In his new role as State Veterinarian, Martin will oversee livestock health programs, poultry health programs, animal welfare and the veterinary diagnostic lab system. Martin is a 1997 graduate from the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California at Davis. He also completed a Masters of Preventive Veterinary Medicine in 1999 and a poultry medicine residency in 2001, both at UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. After several years as assistant professor of Animal Science at Southern Illinois University Carbondale and as a principal research scientist at Embrex Inc., in Research Triangle Park, Dr. Martin
joined the faculty of the North Carolina State College of Veterinary Medicine as an Assistant Professor of Population Health and Pathobiology. In 2012, Martin became an associate professor within Population Health and Pathobiology and served in that capacity until 2012 when he joined the department.

Mandatory Use of Single Sheet DEA 222 Order Form

As of October 30, 2021, the Drug Enforcement Administration is implementing the mandatory use of a single sheet DEA 222 Order Form and the triplicate DEA Order Forms will no longer be available or utilized as stated in the Code of Federal Regulations §1305.20(a). If you are needing to place an order for the newly implemented DEA Order Forms, please use the following link to complete your request
https://apps.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/webforms2/spring/orderFormsLogin?execution=e1s1

If you are needing to relinquish unused triplicate DEA Order Forms, please send them to DEA Registration Section, 8701 Morrissette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152.

Controlled Substances Reporting System (CSRS) Utilization Project

The NCVMB is working with the NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Controlled Substances Reporting System (CSRS) Utilization Project to aid veterinarians in ensuring that they are in compliance with the STOP Act. The Board is working with DHHS to develop reports for the veterinary community that will assist in continuing efforts and adherence to strategies to address the state’s opioid crisis. The CSRS Utilization Team is working to identify gaps in understanding and technology needed bridge the differences between human and animal care for this purpose, thus making the database more effective for all members of the medical profession.

Veterinarians and staff members who find the CSRS confusing will be able to receive training that counts toward the fulfilling the annual opioids CE requirement, and they will able to receive one to one technical assistance along with the opportunity to find self-help materials for their office. For any immediate questions or concerns you can notify the CSRS Utilization team at CSRS.Utilization@dhhs.nc.gov.
Announcement for the 2022 Continuing Education Requirement for the 2023 Renewal- A return to the pre-Covid requirements.

Veterinarian
- Expires annually
- License Renewal Status:
  1. ACTIVE until December 31st
  2. ACTIVE/PENDING from January 1st - January 31st
  3. ACTIVE/LATE from February 1st - February 28/29th
  4. REVOKED on March 1st
- FACULTY License Renewal Status:
  1. ACTIVE until June 14th
  2. ACTIVE/PENDING from June 15th - July 14th
  3. ACTIVE/LATE from July 15th - August 14th
  4. REVOKED on August 15th
- Continuing Education: To be obtained prior to licensee's expiration date. Proof of twenty (20) hours required each year - Ten (10) on-line hours of training will be accepted during each renewal, however, five (5) of those hours will need to be 'interactive'.
- Beginning 2020 Renewals: Two (2) hours of CE on the 'abuse of controlled substances' will be required per renewal cycle; these 2 hours are included in the total number of CE hours.
- Opioid controlled substance CE should include one (1) of the following:
  1. Controlled substances prescribing practices
  2. Recognizing signs of the abuse or misuse of controlled substances
  3. Controlled substance prescribing for chronic pain management

Veterinary Technician
- Expires biennially (every 2 years) at the end of the year; renewal time is dependent upon the initial year of registration
- Registration Renewal Status:
  1. ACTIVE until December 31st
  2. ACTIVE/PENDING from January 1st - January 31st
  3. ACTIVE/LATE from February 1st - February 28/29th
  4. REVOKED on March 1st
- Continuing Education: To be obtained prior to licensee's expiration date. Proof of twelve (12) hours required every two (2) years - Six (6) on-line hours of training will be accepted during each renewal, however, three (3) of those hours will need to be 'interactive'.
- Minimum CE Standards .0206
- Beginning 2020 Renewals: Two (2) hours of CE on the 'abuse of controlled substances' will be required per renewal cycle; these 2 hours are included in the total number of CE hours.
- Opioid controlled substance CE should include one (1) of the following:
  1. Controlled substances prescribing practices
  2. Recognizing signs of the abuse or misuse of controlled substances
  3. Controlled substance prescribing for chronic pain management

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Dr. Doug Meckes, State Veterinarian, Retires

We’d like to thank Dr. Doug Meckes for his service as the state veterinarian and NCVM Board member. We wish him a very happy and well-deserved retirement. Dr. Meckes worked as a large and small veterinarian in private practice in Apex for 29 years before moving to Washington, D.C., to help Homeland Security protect U.S. food and agriculture. When he returned to Apex in 2014, Commissioner Troxler of the NC Department of Agriculture recruited him to become the State Veterinarian.