



Animal Health Technician

This exempt fulltime position reports to the Director of Veterinary Services. The Animal Health Technician assists the Director of Veterinary Services in monitoring health and biosecurity of Topigs Norsvin USA (TNUSA) nucleus and multiplication farms. This position works closely with allied health entities, both locally and internationally, to ensure compliance with both domestic and export requirements for transport and delivery to TNUSA customers. The Animal Health Technician must interact effectively with all intercompany and international departments, in particular the Veterinary, Technical, and Logistics teams. As with all TNUSA employees, this position demands an individual who is willing to collaborate with all team members to provide excellent service to TNUSA customers.

Essential Functions

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this position.

- Periodically collect and submit samples for laboratory diagnosis to ensure TNUSA multiplier and nucleus optimum health.
- Observe external and internal farm environments on a routine basis to identify potential biosecurity risks.
- Monitor biosecurity and health plans implemented by the veterinary team to maintain herd health including animal welfare, health management protocols and biosecurity.
- Assist with the auditing of biosecurity processes in feed and transportation businesses that service TNUSA farms.
- Ensure all supplies and equipment needed for exports projects are ordered and in place in a timely manner.
- Assist with the completion of health-related documentation for submission to the appropriate Veterinary team member.
- Monitor routine and pre-ship diagnostics for animal transport.

Competencies

- Excellent animal husbandry skills.
- Able to draw blood and take other samples from pigs of all sizes.
- Data input, spreadsheet analysis and computer skills; attention to detail.
- Excellent collaboration/interpersonal skills.
- Superior written and oral communication skills.
- Proficient in Microsoft Outlook and Office suite programs or similar.

Work Environment

Duties for this position are performed primarily in a production facility or an office environment.

Physical Demands

The Animal Health Technician generally works in a production facility where frequent bending, climbing and kneeling for extended periods required. In addition, some duties are performed in an office environment where prolonged hours of sitting may be required. The ability to lift up to approximately 50 lbs. is required.

Travel

This position requires the ability to travel among the various TNUSA facilities and, as such, requires a current valid driver's license. There is extensive travel required with this position and often involves overnight stays. Persons who are required to travel must follow the TNUSA Travel Policy guidelines.

Education and Experience

- A Bachelor's Degree in an Agricultural related field is required.
- Minimum 3 to 5 years in swine production is preferred.
- Previous experience with data collection and testing protocols preferred.

Other Duties

Please note that this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive list of duties or responsibilities. Duties and responsibilities may change at any time with or without notice.

Benefits

Benefits include eligibility to participate in 401(k) plan, major medical health plan, dental plan, vehicle allowance, paid time-off, and any other programs and benefits that are generally available to employees of the company.

Topigs Norsvin is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. We promote excellence through diversity and encourage all qualified individuals to apply.

To apply for this position, please send your resume and cover letter to:

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