

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Agriculture
Office of Horse Racing

Job Opportunities: State Veterinarian Temporary positions

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture often has a need to fill State Veterinary Temporary positions throughout the Commonwealth at horse and harness racetracks.

Opportunities may become available at the following racetracks:

Meadows Racetrack – Washington County
Pocono Downs Racetrack – Luzerne County
Penn National Racetrack – Dauphin County
Presque Isle Downs Racetrack – Erie County
Philadelphia Park Racetrack – Bucks County
Chester Downs Racetrack – Delaware County

These positions are vendor controlled and work on an as-needed basis. The work schedule is determined according to the racing schedule. These are per diem positions; daily rate is \$400.00.

Duties include: Provides professional veterinary expertise at racetracks regarding regulatory medicine and assists in the supervision of the medication program and test barn activities. The veterinarian supervises test barn (pre and post-race detention barn) activities including the collection and processing of blood and urine samples and all related record keeping (this would include both the pre and post-race blood gas testing procedures). They would also supervise the normal racing activities and record keeping for horses that qualify for treatment with medication for respiratory bleeding in accordance to the rules of the State Horse Racing Commission. Administer emergency treatment if a private veterinary practitioner is not immediately available.

Applicants must apply by going to the Bureau of State Employment website www.employment.pa.gov, click on the "Job Opportunities" link under Non-Civil Service and then scroll to the chart and select "Animal Services Positions" link and create an online account and apply.

Questions regarding these positions can be directed to Cathy Smith, Human Resource Analyst, 717-787-1065 or catsmith@pa.gov.

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