

WeCAHN Coordinator – Veterinarian with Epidemiology Expertise

Remote (Western Canada preferred) | Contract Position

The **Western Canadian Animal Health Network (WeCAHN)** is seeking a dedicated **Coordinator** to support its mission of enhancing animal health and welfare through surveillance, knowledge transfer, and collaboration. This is a unique opportunity for a veterinarian with postgraduate epidemiology experience to contribute to a dynamic animal health intelligence network.

About WeCAHN

WeCAHN is a multi-stakeholder network that monitors and shares trends in animal disease, providing actionable insights for veterinarians, producers, and regulatory bodies. Our work spans companion animals, livestock, and public health, ensuring timely detection and response to emerging health issues.

Key Responsibilities

Surveillance & Data Analysis

- Organize and chair network meetings, facilitating discussion and reporting findings. These include:
 - Beef network
 - Poultry network
 - Dairy network
 - Small ruminants network
 - Companion animal surveillance initiative
 - Smallholders network
 - Equine network
- Compile and analyze veterinary clinical impression surveys and diagnostic laboratory data, supported by WeCAHN's in-house data dashboards and other data that could be relevant for surveillance purposes, such as abattoir data or information from targeted / disease specific surveillance programs.
- Identify trends of interest, perform targeted epidemiological analyses, and design and administer targeted surveillance projects.
- Develop actionable knowledge transfer materials, including reports, infographics, podcasts and social media content.
- Collaborate closely with Prairie Diagnostic Services (PDS), which serves as the facilitating entity for WeCAHN's financial management and reporting to stakeholders.

Project & Financial Management

- Track and manage invoices for network practitioners, contractors, and WeCAHN expenses.
- Oversee and monitor financial records.
- Secure and manage RACE accreditation for network meetings.

Communication & Collaboration

- Chair network meetings and facilitate discussions among stakeholders.
- Recruit diverse network contributors, including producers, veterinarians, and industry professionals, to enhance the quality of information and discussions.
- Oversee website updates and the dissemination of key findings.
- Identify and coordinate expert presenters and additional knowledge transfer activities.

Supervision

- Provide guidance and oversight to a part-time (0.75 FTE) **contracted epidemiologist** and **ad hoc third-party support** as needed.
- Ensure the timely completion of epidemiological projects and external collaborations.

What You Bring

- **DVM (or equivalent), eligible for licensure in Canada**
- **Postgraduate experience in epidemiology:** MSc required, PhD & / or board certification with the American College of Veterinary Preventative Medicine preferred
- Strong **quantitative analysis** skills and experience working with passive surveillance data
- Excellent **oral and written communication** skills, including report writing and knowledge transfer
- **Technical proficiency** in statistical software, word processing, and social media knowledge-sharing tools (Canva, website maintenance experience a plus)
- Ability to work **independently** and manage multiple priorities effectively

Why Join WeCAHN?

- **Make an Impact** – Play a pivotal role in improving animal health and surveillance in Western Canada.
- **Flexible Work Arrangement** – Remote position with autonomy over work hours.
- **Professional Growth** – Collaborate with experts in animal health, epidemiology, and regulatory fields.
- **Diverse Role** – Engage in surveillance, communication, project management, and data analysis.
- **Contract Position** – Compensation based on experience and workload.

How to Apply

If you are passionate about animal health surveillance and knowledge transfer, we want to hear from you! Apply with your **CV and cover letter** detailing your relevant experience, to:

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Closing Date: February 17, or until a suitable candidate is found.