

## JOB DESCRIPTION

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| <b>Agency</b>                                       | Department of Primary Industry and Resources                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Work Unit</b>   | Berrimah Veterinary Laboratory, Strategic Services Division |
| <b>Job Title</b>                                    | Trainee Veterinary Pathologist                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Designation</b> | Professional 2                                              |
| <b>Job Type</b>                                     | Full Time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Duration</b>    | Ongoing                                                     |
| <b>Salary</b>                                       | \$78,097 - \$93,655                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Location</b>    | Darwin                                                      |
| <b>Position Number</b>                              | 50335 <b>RTF</b> 111158                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Closing</b>     | 26/01/2017                                                  |
| <b>Contact</b>                                      | Dr Lorna Melville on 08 8999 2251 or <a href="mailto:lorna.melville@nt.gov.au">lorna.melville@nt.gov.au</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                    |                                                             |
| <b>Agency Information</b>                           | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                    |                                                             |
| <b>Information for Applicants</b>                   | <b>Applications must be limited to a one-page summary sheet and an attached detailed resume/cv.</b> For further information for applicants and example applications: <a href="#">click here</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                    |                                                             |
| <b>Information about Selected Applicant's Merit</b> | If you accept this position, a detailed summary of your merit (including work history, experience, qualifications, skills, information from referees, etc.) will be provided to other applicants, to ensure transparency and better understanding of the reasons for the decision. For further information: <a href="#">click here</a>                                                                                  |                    |                                                             |
| <b>Special Measures</b>                             | The NTPS values diversity and aims for a workforce which is representative of the community we serve. Therefore under an approved <b>Special Measures</b> recruitment plan, ATSI applicants will be given priority consideration and preference in selection for this vacancy if they meet all essential selection criteria and are suitable at the position level. For further information: <a href="#">click here</a> |                    |                                                             |
| <b>Apply Online Link</b>                            | <a href="https://jobs.nt.gov.au/Home/Application?rtfld=111158">https://jobs.nt.gov.au/Home/Application?rtfld=111158</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                    |                                                             |

### **Primary Objective:**

Provide a NATA-accredited veterinary pathology/virology service to support diagnostic, regulatory and research programs for animal industry clients throughout the Northern Territory. (NATA is the National Association of Testing Authorities.)

### **Context Statement:**

Berrimah Veterinary Laboratory (BVL) is part of the Northern Territory Department of Primary Industry and Resources (DPIR). The core function of BVL is testing for diseases of production animals and aquaculture species for diagnostic, surveillance, regulatory, research, export and exotic disease exclusion purposes. BVL also provides a testing service for companion animals, performance animals, aviary birds and native fauna on a fee for service basis. BVL is NATA-accredited in the field of Veterinary Testing (ISO 17025) for the following classes of test: anatomical pathology, histopathology, bacteriology, serology, molecular and virology.

### **Key Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. Participate as Duty Pathologist in the delivery of a range of specialist veterinary laboratory services with responsibility for reporting outcomes to clients.
2. Provide expert advice and summary reports on veterinary pathology matters.
3. Participate in the operation and development of the quality system of the BVL.
4. Participate in research, investigations and biosecurity surveillance programs as a veterinary science specialist and maintain a high rate of professional development.
5. Undertake study and training to achieve membership of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists in the pathobiology chapter within 2-4 years.

### **Selection Criteria:**

#### **Essential:**

1. Degree in veterinary science or equivalent, which provides eligibility for registration as a veterinarian in the Northern Territory.
2. Postgraduate experience in the application of veterinary science.
3. Demonstrated excellent interpersonal, communication and organisational skills.
4. Experience with computer applications relevant to the position such as laboratory information management, data handling and effective communication.
5. Understanding of quality assurance especially in relation to a veterinary diagnostic laboratory.
6. Capacity to achieve membership by examination of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists within 2-4 years of commencing in the position.

Approved: 10/1/2017

Christine Long, Director Strategic Services