



HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIRECTORATE

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GOVERNMENT VACANCY

JOB TITLE:	Chief Veterinary Officer
DEPARTMENT:	Agriculture
MINISTRY:	Ministry of Tourism, Agriculture, Fisheries, Religious Affairs & The Environment
LOCATION:	Providenciales

JOB SUMMARY:

This is senior management position with nationwide responsibility for animal health, biosecurity and administration of the Animal Health Services Division. To steer and guide animal health services in the overall development of the livestock industry locally. To protect the country's sanitary status through the implementation, development and maintenance of disease surveillance and monitoring programmes as well as to employ the skills and knowledge of veterinary public health to protect humans from zoonoses and provide for food security through maintenance of good animal health. Finally, it administers the daily functions and duties of the Division

KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Issue and certify import permits for the importation of controlled commodities
2. Issue and certify sanitary certificates for export
3. Prepare import conditions for the safe importation of various animal and animal products
4. Conduct risk assessments on animal commodities intended for import
5. Audit all disease monitoring and surveillance systems (MOSS) of the Division
6. Conduct basic disease risk and epidemiological surveillance exercises
7. Develop policies and strategies for disease prevention and control
8. Protect public health by employing the proper techniques of veterinary public health in conjunction with the authority responsible for health.
9. Identify and authorize disease investigation in the field
10. Develop regulations for animal welfare, animal health, food safety and animal control
11. Give the Government policy advice on veterinary public health and animal health, and trade in animals and animal products
12. Liaise with the veterinary and animal communities to promote proper animal welfare systems
13. Develop and administer the animal disease emergency response plan in conjunction with other responsible governmental and non-governmental bodies
14. Decide and authorize emergency action during major livestock disease epidemics
15. Formulate animal control mechanisms and oversee their proper functioning
16. Manage staff of the Division
17. Identify, and approve veterinary drugs and equipment
18. Adhere to all Public Service codes, rules and regulations





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19. Perform other related tasks as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE:

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree in Veterinary Medicine or equivalent
- OR
- A Bachelor's Degree in Veterinary Medicine (DVM or VMD) or equivalent with at least five years' experience at a senior level with a government body or agency that is responsible for Veterinary Services

Experience:

- At least Five (5) to Seven (7) years' experience functioning at a senior or managerial level with a governmental body or agency that is responsible for Veterinary Services
- At least Five (5) years' experience in regulatory medicine
- Considerable working experience with farm animals is desirable

SALARY: Grade 8.1 - \$64,985.00 per annum plus allowances

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Resumes with current contact information must be accompanied by a Cover Letter and two letters of reference (one preferably from a former employer) as well as copies of educational certificates and a copy of the Passport photo page. Shortlisted candidates must submit a Police Certificate.

