
WRI ON-SITE WILDLIFE VET

Location: WRI Wildlife Hospital, Garlow Cross, Navan, Co Meath, C15 V9TW

Reports to: Hospital Manager

Hours: 40 hours per week

Contract: 9 months (contract may be extended depending on internal factors)

Salary: €1,500.00 per month

Apply: Send CV and covering letter to chairperson@wri.ie before 5pm Wednesday 20th October 2021

WRI's Wildlife Hospital is offering a full-time contract for a wildlife Vet. Working alongside Management, the Wildlife Vet has responsibilities in all aspects of medical care for Ireland's injured, ill, and orphaned wildlife.

Position Summary:

The Wildlife Vet is a member of the WRI Wildlife Hospital veterinary team, reporting directly to the Hospital Manager. In conjunction with the Animal Manager and Interns the Wildlife Vet is responsible for the daily medical care and wellbeing of wildlife patients, including critical care, examinations, wound care, physical therapy, feeding plans, and species-specific husbandry, among other responsibilities. The Wildlife Vet must be willing to teach and direct interns, volunteers, and students. The Wildlife Vet will be part of a growing medical team at WRI Wildlife Hospital.

Requirements:

Registered Veterinary Degree from an accredited third level institution.

Our ideal candidate will have a minimum of one year's experience as a licensed vet in the care and treatment of wild animals.

Has worked full time in a large wildlife rehabilitation establishment, with paid staff, that caters for all wildlife species, and has a throughput of over 3,000 casualties per year.

Safe wild animal handling skills.

Knowledge of the natural history and behaviour of native wildlife species.

Up-to-date tetanus and rabies vaccinations.

General Competencies:

Punctual, follows instructions, and responds to management direction.

Teamwork - listens and responds constructively to others' views. Gives and welcomes feedback.

Helps others when they need it and acknowledges others' effort and contribution.

Duties and Responsibilities:

In order to ensure the highest standard of care is provided to our wild animal patients, the Wildlife Vet will:

- Assist in the medical care of all wildlife patients.
- Train interns and volunteers as directed by the Hospital and Animal Managers.
- Triage and initiate appropriate treatments.
- Perform common veterinary diagnostics as appropriate.
- Ensure the hospital has the medications needed to efficiently and effectively treat the animals on a daily basis.
- Identify and suggest ways to improve both medical and rehabilitative care of patients and assist in the creation and compliance of these protocols and procedures.
- Occasionally accompany casualties to a vet clinic if appropriate diagnostics/treatment on-site is unavailable and is required.
- Ensure adherence to legislation and safety procedures.
- Communicate with the public and colleagues at other centres including rehabilitators and veterinary staff.
- Remain current on wildlife veterinary medicine practice, policies and procedures.
- Work varying schedules including work on weekends and on-call night shift when needed.
- Adhere to appropriate social distancing and other guidelines during the pandemic.
- Other duties as requested by the Management Team.

Date: Oct 2021