

NCVDLS Branch Laboratory Director

Position: The North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory System (NCVDLS) has one vacancy for a motivated individual to serve as Branch Laboratory Director. The position is headquartered at the Northwestern Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory in Elkin which is located in the beautiful Yadkin Valley and the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The laboratory caseload is predominantly avian in nature with the bulk of work consisting of chicken broiler/breeder samples.

Qualifications: A Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree or equivalent veterinary medical degree, eligibility for state licensure, and two years of veterinary practice experience are currently required. Individuals having previous supervisory and managerial experience are preferred.

Principal Duties: Performs post-mortem investigations by receiving oral and written communication from veterinary practitioners, animal owners or owners' agents; reviews the problem; gathers facts and initiates investigative questioning to obtain necessary information to determine which diagnostic procedures must be performed. Executes and directs supportive diagnostic testing procedures when further laboratory evaluation is necessary to obtain a diagnosis. Reviews post-mortem lesions and interprets ancillary test results in order to formulate a diagnosis. Issues final, written reports of investigative results to clients. Supervision of laboratory personnel and facility management are additional responsibilities of the position.

General Information: The NCVDLS is an AAVLD-accredited participant in the USDA's National Animal Health Laboratory Network. The laboratory system is comprised of one central laboratory located in Raleigh, and three branch laboratories at Elkin, Monroe, and Fletcher. The NCVDLS provides a broad range of diagnostic services to support animal agriculture in the State (livestock and poultry industries), as well as, providing services to veterinary practitioners and animal owners.

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