



Position: Staff Veterinarian

Status: Full-time

Description: Located along the Space Coast in Melbourne, Florida, the Brevard Zoo is an AZA-accredited facility with a diverse collection of over 900 animals representing nearly 200 species. It is also home to the Sea Turtle Healing Center (STHC) for rehabilitation of wild marine turtles. Brevard Zoo is well-known for its strong conservation ethic and unique attractions, such as kayaking through the Africa area, giraffe feeding and various animal encounters.

The Zoo is seeking applicants for the position of Staff Veterinarian in the Department of Veterinary Programs. The Staff Veterinarian reports directly to the department director, an ACZM-boarded veterinarian, and will work collaboratively with the director and Veterinary Intern to manage clinical responsibility for the collection of STHC patients. We are searching for a dynamic, team-oriented candidate that is positive, motivated and engaging, and will enthusiastically represent Brevard Zoo in all aspects of the job. The Veterinary Programs team consists of the above positions, as well as two Animal Health Care Technicians, a Commissary Manager, three Animal Nutrition Technicians, a Sea Turtle Program Manager and a Sea Turtle Program Coordinator.

Responsibilities *(include but are not limited to):*

- Maintaining and continually improving a regular preventive medicine program for the animal collection
- Performing diagnostic testing and medical and surgical treatment for sick or injured animals
- Performing postmortem exams and preparing sample submissions for histopathology and other testing
- Helping to manage the medical aspects of animal transactions
- Participating in the planning and modification of the nutrition program for the animal collection
- Maintaining accurate and thorough medical and other records
- Coordinating with curatorial and keeper staff as required for animal health maintenance
- Communicating effectively with the clinical team, other Zoo staff and outside individuals/groups
- Providing positive leadership to the clinical team
- Providing technical training to improve the skill level of other staff members

- Sharing on-call duties with other veterinarians on a rotational basis
- Providing mentorship for the Eastern Florida Zoological Internship Program
- Helping to teach students in the veterinary externship program
- Helping to ensure compliance with all state, federal and other regulations/guidelines, including Florida FWCC, USDA, AZA, DEA, AAZV, etc.
- Participating in research and special projects, conferences, educational and training programs, tours and other duties as requested

Requirements:

- Minimum 3 years of clinical experience in a zoological setting
- ACZM board certification/eligibility preferred
- DVM degree from an AVMA-accredited program
- Florida veterinary license, DEA license, USDA accreditation category II (within 90 days of hire)
- Florida driver's license (within 90 days of hire)
- Working knowledge of ZIMS record keeping system and Microsoft Office products
- Ability to work after hours, weekends and holidays as needed

Benefits:

- **Competitive Exempt Salary** (with flexible hours and independent time management)
- Health Insurance (no deductible) comes with free gym membership
- Free Dental Insurance and optional Life, Short-term Disability and Vision insurances
- Seventeen days Paid-time Off (PTO) – increases with longevity
- Nine paid holidays
- Matching 403b retirement funds (pre-tax)
- Zoo membership, passes and zipline passes
- Florida attraction share program passes