

Manager for the Canada-West Swine Health Intelligence Network (CWSHIN)

The Canada-West Swine Health Intelligence Network (CWSHIN) is seeking a veterinarian manager to begin in April 2018. The role is part time averaging approximately two days per week, and includes some travel. The position will report to the Chair of the CWSHIN Board (the General Manager of Alberta Pork).

CWSHIN is a partnership between Manitoba Pork, Sask Pork, Alberta Pork, and BC Pork with technical and financial support from Manitoba Agriculture, Saskatchewan Agriculture, Alberta Agriculture, BC Agriculture and the Western Canadian Association of Swine Veterinarians (WCASV). CWSHIN serves western Canadian veterinarians and pork producers through:

- Detecting emerging swine health issues early
- Integrating information for response to regional health issues
- Providing evidence of the absence of disease to support trade
- Providing western Canadian producers and veterinarians with information about endemic diseases

The role of the Manager of CWSHIN includes:

- Providing leadership for the system
- Reviewing data and information from veterinarians, producers, diagnostic laboratories, researchers, and government
- Managing a computerized data surveillance program hosted by Manitoba Pork
- Analysis and synthesis of information into health intelligence for the swine industry
- Hosting quarterly swine health teleconferences with veterinarians
- Writing reports and articles on swine health
- Communications with pig producers, veterinarians, government, the swine industry and the media, including oral presentations
- Future development of the network

Administrative and communications support will be provided by Manitoba Pork, Sask Pork, Alberta Pork and BC Pork. Epidemiological support for data analysis will also be available.

The ideal candidate will be a veterinarian with some swine practice experience and the ability to work – supported by an IT specialist – with database reports. A competitive salary will be provided. The manager will be able to work from anywhere within Canada. Experience with Microsoft Excel and Word is necessary. Excellent communication and writing skills are required along with organizational skills and the ability to produce reports in a timely manner. It is critical that the successful candidate is able to develop close working relationships with veterinarians in private practice and in government service, and develop good rapport with pork producers and their organizations.

Interested candidates can forward their CV to javier.bahamon@albertapork.com no later than Monday, February 19, 2018.