DR. [NAME]

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The Veterinarian Oath

Being admitted to the profession of veterinary medicine, I solemnly swear to use my scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit of society through the protection of animal health and welfare, the prevention and relief of animal suffering, the conservation of animal resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of medical knowledge.

I will practice my profession conscientiously, with dignity, and in keeping with the principles of veterinary medical ethics.

I accept as a lifelong obligation the continual improvement of my professional knowledge and competence.





Rural & Food Animal Veterinarian





Educational Journey to Become a Veterinarian

Undergraduate Degree Internships/ Specializations

Veterinary School

Career Moves

What is part of the average day for a veterinarian?



Daily Responsibilities and Opportunities

- Communicating with clients about their animals & concerns, answering questions, and explaining diagnosis, etc.
- Diagnosing illnesses, performing surgeries, assisting births, herd health checks, addressing invoices, medical records, welfare reports and regulatory paperwork.
- Flexible schedule; Variety: no two days seem the same; Working both indoors and outdoors.
- Strong sense of community bond with clients, physical activity, opportunity to visit new places and see new things.

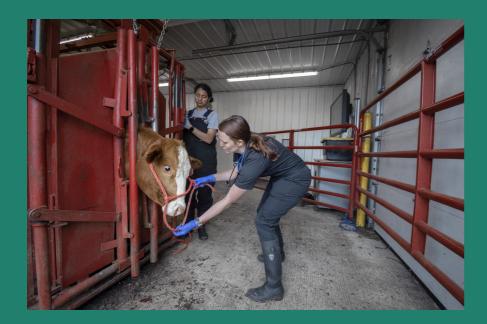






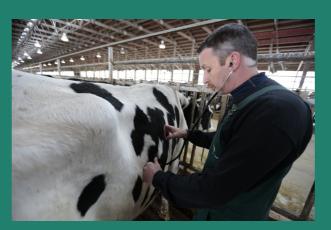


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Farm Visits

- Farm visits include managing herd health to addressing individual health concerns, preventative medicine and animal welfare, having conversations about infrastructure, employees, and seasonal routines.
- Farmers and ranchers take pride in their animals and want to raise healthy, clean, well-fed animals.









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Emergencies

- Emergencies may occur on a ranch, farm, or at the clinic.
- Navigating ethical food animal production and regulatory systems designed to protect US food safety and security is a challenge, and we are held to that as well as good animal health and husbandry.







What is part of the average day for a veterinarian?



Practice and Clinic

- Well animal visits, charting, stocking medicines, care of animals who may be onsite, care for clients and possible employees or co-workers, care for community members and clients.
- Office managers, veterinary technicians, and veterinary assistants all play key roles.









Tools of the Trade

FARMJOURNAL FOUNDATION



Rewards of Being a Veterinarian







Questions?







Conclusion

- Being a veterinarian is rewarding; it is a work of passion. It takes hard work and dedication.
- Consider job shadowing or volunteering at a local ranch or vet clinic to learn more about the profession.
- Turn to the person next to you and share one thing that you heard today that was new to you.





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