Position Title: Animal Care Technician
Job Category: Technical

Location: Plum Island Animal Disease Center, NY
Travel Required: No

Level/Salary Range: TBD
Position Type: Full-time Regular

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Date Posted: March 6, 2012

Will Train Applicant: Yes
Expires: Open until filled

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Position Description

Job Purpose:
The McConnell Group, www.themccgroup.com, a health science company, currently has a full-time position for an Animal Caretaker to provide support at Plum Island, New York. Plum Island is located off the northeastern tip of New York's Long Island. This position supports the Department of Homeland Security Research & Development Program vaccine studies by caring for large animals in accordance with established procedures while under constant supervision.

Duties:
- Provide routine care to the research animals
- Feed and water animals
- Inspect and maintain animals and animal rooms
- Ensure clean and sanitized animal rooms
- Monitor and control animal room environmental conditions.
- Restraint animals during sampling and clinical inspection
- Perform technical procedures under DHS/VMO/ARU supervision
- Evaluate clinical signs
- Record keeping

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required:
- Candidate must be a High School graduate (or equivalent) with at least one year of experience working with large animals. Vet Tech experience preferred.
- Ability to lift up to 60 pounds.
- Available to work on holidays and weekends as required.
- Excellent communication skills are essential.
- Must be able to receive and maintain a Personal Security Level 3 (PSL-3) clearance, and participate in the Occupational Health/Safety Programs.
- Candidate MUST pass a government background investigation (NAC), employment physical and drug/alcohol screening. As required by law, TMG participates in E-Verify, a service of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Social Security Administration (SSA), to verify the identity and employment eligibility of persons hired to work in the United States.

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Compensation/Benefits:
TMG offers competitive pay and benefits packages including health insurance; paid holiday, vacation, and PTO; EAP; 401(k) and College Savings Plan.