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The Center for Food Security and Public Health (CFSPH) at Iowa State University (ISU), College of Veterinary Medicine is excited to add **up to two hard-working veterinarians** with a background in cattle and/or swine production medicine who are interested in furthering their education by working toward a Master of Public Health (MPH) degree. **Applications are due July 15, 2015.** As a CFSPH team member, you will contribute to the development of educational resources with national and international impact while advancing your education by working toward an MPH degree from the University of Iowa (UI), College of Public Health.

This two-year post-doctoral position will allow you to contribute your expertise about the United States cattle and/or swine industries to projects for USDA, State governments, and the industries that could be impacted by the effects of an emerging or foreign animal disease outbreak. Relocating to Ames, Iowa is required. With excellent housing options, a low cost of living for a metropolitan community, excellent school systems, and the ability to experience all four seasons, it has been a smooth transition for hundreds of people each year. Annual salary is $45,000.

The CFSPH at ISU began their MPH training program partnership with UI in 2002. Our proven track record of successfully balancing meaningful on-the-job training with a high quality, fully accredited MPH program speaks to our commitment to furthering veterinary professionals in a positive environment. The MPH courses begin August 24 via distance education. The veterinarians that are selected will take 6-9 credits per semester and are expected to complete the program in two years. CFSPH will pay tuition directly to the UI for the two-year MPH program ($17,500 annually). Candidates chosen for interviews will also need to apply to the UI College of Public Health and meet the admission requirements (graduates of an AVMA-accredited institution; licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the U.S.).

This program is designed for practicing veterinarians who are looking to further their education and/or become eligible to apply for board certification in Veterinary Preventive Medicine. The MPH degree gives veterinarians opportunities in local, state, and federal health agencies, agricultural and environmental agencies, colleges and universities, vaccine and food industry companies, the military and international public health agencies. The need for veterinarians trained in public health can be seen daily in news reports of zoonotic diseases such as high pathogenic avian influenza, foodborne illnesses such as *E. coli* 0157, emerging disease outbreaks worldwide, and the need for a secure food supply. Graduates of the training program are now working as state public health veterinarians, at state departments of agriculture, for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in faculty or outreach positions at major universities, in Emergency Management organizations, for pharmaceutical companies, or pursuing further graduate studies.
To apply for this unique opportunity, please send a **cover letter** explaining your post-DVM experience and knowledge of the U.S. cattle and/or swine industries, experience working in a team environment, and your career goals no later than **July 15** to **dbw@iastate.edu**. Also include a **resume/curriculum vitae** and **three references** that can attest to your work ethic, knowledge, and character to be fully considered.

Review the application requirements for the MPH program and be prepared to request transcripts and recommendation letters should you be selected by CFSPH in order to expedite your matriculation in the courses. For more information on the MPH program, visit: [http://www.public-health.uiowa.edu/mph-for-practicing-veterinarians/](http://www.public-health.uiowa.edu/mph-for-practicing-veterinarians/) or contact Dr. Danelle Bickett-Weddle.

We look forward to your application!

Sincerely,

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