

Job announcement at FOUR PAWS Viet

Position: Assistant Veterinarian for FOUR PAWS Viet

FOUR PAWS Viet is a Vietnamese NGO - partner of FOUR PAWS International, an animal welfare organization founded in 1988 with the Headquarter in Vienna, Austria, and has offices in 15 other countries.

BEAR SANCTUARY Ninh Binh - an animal welfare project by FOUR PAWS, is located in Ky Phu commune, Nho Quan district, Ninh Binh province. The sanctuary allows greater governmental enforcement of the existing laws prohibiting the abuse of bears for bile extraction, by providing a place for any confiscated or voluntarily handed over bears to be taken to and cared for appropriately. The 1st construction phase of BEAR SANCTUARY Ninh Binh comprises 3.6 ha and is providing a species-appropriate habitat for up to 44 Asiatic black bears. Four big natural outdoor enclosures, two bear houses, a quarantine area and a veterinary clinic form the frame of BEAR SANCTUARY Ninh Binh. An experienced team, including a veterinarian, currently takes care of 27 former bile bears and 2 bear cubs rescued from the illegal wildlife trade. Within the next few years the sanctuary will be expanded to 10 ha and will provide a species-appropriate home for around 100 former bile bears.

FOUR PAWS Viet is searching for positive thinking people with great dedication and passion to animal welfare as soon as possible:

Position: Assistant Veterinarian

Fulltime / BEAR SANCTUARY Ninh Binh, close to Cuc Phuong National Park, Vietnam

Main duties

- Supporting the lead veterinarian with all duties relating to the daily veterinary work and health management of rescued bile bears and other species on occasion.
- Assisting with bear health checks, procedure preparation, monitoring anaesthesia, venepuncture, venous catheter placement, endotracheal intubation, dentistry etc.
- Assisting with the organization and execution of bear rescues and travelling with the transport team, alongside the lead veterinarian, on bear transfers.
- Laboratory work such as, coroscopy, cytology and blood work.
- Veterinary-related administrative duties such as animal record keeping, pharmacy and equipment inventory, maintenance of the clinic pharmacy, purchasing of veterinary drugs and other materials and equipment, etc.
- Animal husbandry when required, daily care of the bears including cleaning, food distribution whilst adhering to strict safety protocols.
- Supervision of the bear team in the absence of other bear team managers.
- Translation of documents between English and Vietnamese.

Requirements:

- Vietnamese national holding a minimum 4-year veterinary degree.
- At least one-year practical veterinary experience would be an advantage, however a strong attitude and aptitude for learning is of most importance.
- Experience in animal care and husbandry is desirable.
- Highly motivated, diligent and with exceptional attention to detail
- Proven interest in wildlife and wildlife medicine
- Excellent written and spoken English and Vietnamese
- Computer literacy (MS Office requested)
- High level of responsibility and personal drive. Motivation for self-study and continuing professional development.
- Willingness to relocate to Ninh Binh province
- Flexibility to travel and work on weekends and public holidays on occasion and at short notice.
- Dedication and passion for animal welfare and FOUR PAWS values and issues

Opportunities to learn:

- Extensive training provided in many aspects of veterinary medicine by experienced veterinarians, international specialists and leaders in their fields. For a wide range of species, not only bears, in the fields of internal medicine including, but not limited to, clinical pathology, diagnostic imaging, pathology, soft tissue surgery anaesthesia and dentistry.
- Training in various drug delivery methods.
- The possibility to attend training courses and conferences
- Training in animal husbandry, animal behaviour, safety standards and emergency procedures.

Please send your CV and cover letter including your possible date of entry in English via email to

FOUR PAWS Viet

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Closing date for submission: April 10, 2020

Applications will be reviewed as they arrive. Only shortlisted candidates will be invited for interview.

FOUR PAWS VietFour Paws will provide full training in all the tasks listed above.