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Application Deadline : Jan 1 every year

Practice Name: Alpine Equine Hospital, PC

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Staffing Number and Tasks: A shared internship program between Alpine Equine Hospital and Alpine Animal Hospital. 4 Staff Veterinarians, 1 Intern, 2 Office Staff, 5 techs, 2 vet tech assistants; 1 FTE LA DVM, 3.25 FTE SA DVM w/o the intern

Type of Practice: 40% equine (60 % ambulatory/40% in-house), 60% companion animal

Facilities: Clinical facility 10,400 square feet with separate ruminant and equine isolation facility. Medical/Repro/Surgery facility with 4 heated stalls and lameness/treatment areas. The practice is equipped for digital radiology, ultrasonography, focused shock wave, and endoscopy. Surgery suite is available, routine and elective procedures (hernias, crypts, enucleations, splint removal, nervings.) as well as emergency abdominal and other surgeries.

Number of Interns / Externs currently in Practice: 1

Names of Veterinarians at Alpine Equine including any Specialty Qualifications:

Chuck Maker DVM

Case Load: Sport Horses (cutters, cow horse, reigers, and english hunters, jumpers, saddleseat, dressage), Broodmares (routine, ET, frozen semen), Pleasure Horses. Companion Animals (Canine and Feline)

Types of Cases (estimated % by system or categories) for Alpine Equine:

Equine: Lameness - 25% Repro – 15-25% Medicine and Surgery – 15-25% Routine (wellness, dentistry) 20% Other Pleasure Horse Work - 15%

Estimated Breakdown of Daily or Weekly Load:

Caseload will reflect the seasonality of private practice in our area. Work week will vary with the time of the year, averaging 50-55 hours/week. Less time could be spent, but doing so would mean not availing oneself of the learning opportunities offered. ½ day off during the week with work hrs. M-F and ½ day Saturdays for routine and emergency appts. during regular hospital hours. Emergency duty 2 nights per week and 1 weekend every three for primary duty. 2 out of 3 weekends on duty for in-house hospitalized care. 5-6 weekends per year with no on call or in house hospitalized duty care.

Philosophy of Internship:

THIS MIXED ANIMAL INTERNSHIP IS GEARED MORE TOWARDS LEARNING THAN PRODUCTION and is split between two businesses (Alpine Equine and Alpine Animal Hospital). Areas of training include: Dentistry, Radiology, Reproduction, Practice Management, Client Education, Fluid Therapy, Laboratory, Pediatrics. General Medicine, Horse Show Medicine, Ultrasonography, Thermography, Endoscopy, Surgery, Ophthalmology, Technical Skills, Lameness, Complementary Therapies. The learning protocol is available upon request.

Prerequisites of Application and Internship:

The applicant will provide a CV and a letter of application that addresses their desire to be involved in an internship. Two professional letters from individuals that can attest to the applicant's skill, work ethic and personality. A visit to or externship at the practice is highly recommended. A license in Colorado is required prior to the start of the internship.

Notification of Acceptance:

By mail, email or phone

Employee Benefits:

Health insurance allowance, on-site housing, malpractice insurance, cell phone, 5 days of vacation to be used as approved.

Employment Contracts:

Required

Externship Available:

www.alpineequine.net. Externship stays or practice visits are strongly encouraged to our intern applicants. Externships are scheduled throughout the applicants junior and senior veterinary school years as the student's schedule allows



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List of Internship Duties in Practice:

1. Learning 2. Diagnostic Imaging 3. Dentistry 4. Reproductive tech and assist with Foaling/calving 5. Assist on ambulatory calls. 6. Assist with in-house medicine, surgery cases 7. Partake in Client Education programs and newsletter productions. 8. Laboratory services 9. Emergency Duty

Emergency Duty Requirements:

1. The intern will be highly mentored in the first 3-4 months prior to assuming a primary emergency role. In the remaining months of the internship the intern will be on primary call for ambulatory/hospitalized cases two nights a week and one weekend out of every three. 2. The intern will be on duty with emergency colic watch/treatment/surgery crew as cases dictate. Small animal intensive care patient care will also be borne by the intern. All routine colic care will be performed by the colic watch crew (consisting of CVT's, intern and Staff DVM) at the direction of Dr. Maker. 3. The intern will assist with after hours treatments as needed for clinic cases. 4. The emergency, intensive care and post op surgery caseload varies throughout the year.

Amount of Supervision:

In the first 3 months the intern will either be under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or in wet lab situations most of the time. During the remaining months of the program the intern will perform routine calls. This schedule is variable and is flexible pending skill acquisition and practice needs with the time of year.

Internship Salary: \$27,000 plus benefits between Alpine Equine and Alpine Animal Hospital **Term of Employment:** July 1- June 30