



# STATE of MINNESOTA

Executive Department

Governor Tim Walz

## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

### Jessica Koppien-Fox

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

#### Licensed Vetrinarian

#### Board of Animal Health

Effective: February 12, 2025

Expires: January 1, 2029

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed February 7, 2025.

Handwritten signature of Tim Walz in black ink.

Tim Walz, GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

Steve Simon, SECRETARY OF STATE



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Reappointment

# Application for the position Licensed Veterinarian Application Date: 11/12/2024 1:31:15 PM

Note: If your application needs to be amended, including updates to any uploaded documents, contact [open.appointments@state.mn.us](mailto:open.appointments@state.mn.us). Please provide your name, board, position you've applied to, and any other documentation you'd like included in your application along with a brief summary of your request.

## Part I: Position Sought

**Agency Name:** Board Of Animal Health

**Position:** Licensed Veterinarian

**Seat:** Licensed Veterinarian #2

## Part II: Applicant Information

**Name:** Dr Jessica Elizabeth Koppien-Fox

**Phone:** (507) 401-6592

**Mailing Address:** 1203 Morningside Circle Marshall 56258

**Email:** [jessicakoppienfox@gmail.com](mailto:jessicakoppienfox@gmail.com)

**County:** Lyon

**Recommended by the Appointing Authority:** No

**Mn House District:** 16A

**US House District:** 7

## Part III: Appending Documentation

### Cover Letter and Resume

Type	File Type
Cover Letter	application/pdf
Resume	application/pdf

### Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)

Type	File Name
No additional documents found.	

## Part IV: Optional Statistical Information

**Race and Natural Origin:** No Answer (Default)

**Political Party:** No Answer (Default)

**Gender:** No Answer

**Disability:** No Answer

**Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin:** No Answer

**Veteran:** No Answer

**Heard about vacancy from:** Other

**Age when applied:** No Answer

**Other reason:** I am applying for renewal for my current position

## Part V: Signature

**Signature:** Jessica E Koppien-Fox

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# JESSICA KOPPIEN-FOX, DVM, CertAqV

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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**Personal Mission Statement:** "I wish to live life fully, honestly, and compassionately while making a positive impact on the health of the animals, humans and environment in the world around me."

Highly motivated, results driven Doctor of Veterinary Medicine with strong professional skills and diverse expertise including basic and applied research, technical service, and education. Knowledge and experience with a wide variety of animal species from companion animals to terrestrial production animals, poultry and aquatic animal species. Experience collaborating on multi-disciplinary teams and designing, implementing and coordinating research programs, biosecurity programs, animal health programs, animal welfare programs, and training programs. Professional and approachable demeanor. Dynamic, enthusiastic and animated public speaker and educator.

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- Knowledge and experience with a wide variety of animal species from companion animals to terrestrial production animals, poultry and aquatic animal species.
- Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication skills as well as professional public speaking experience, national webinar experience, and professional writing experience.
- Experience establishing and maintaining effective working relationships on multi-disciplinary teams that included diverse backgrounds from customers to sales staff, marketing, nutrition, regulatory affairs, production personnel, chemical engineers, international colleagues from across the globe, and other industry professionals.
- Possess knowledge of communicable foreign animal disease (FAD) and have developed biosecurity protocols to protect against FADs in animal production facilities, research facilities as well as feed production mills.
- Strong ability and experience translating complex, technical ideas or subjects into easily understandable terms for lay people and the public. Experience collaborating with marketing to develop and design scientific marketing documents to support sales and develop training and educational tools.
- Possess over a decade of experience in research and development and serving as a technical consultant.
- Strengths in three strategic thinking categories [Gallop® Strengths Finder] Input, Learner, and Intellection; a powerful combination for gathering, archiving and organizing information, and formatting it to share with the appropriate audience. The Achiever strength brings drive for hard work and bringing projects to completion.
- Priority to continue to gain knowledge, experience, and new skills, including the continued development of leadership and communication skills.
- Teaching Philosophy: Belief that teaching should be engaging, interactive and memorable, connecting with the students/audience and stirring their hearts to action, and/or desire to learn more.

## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Minnesota
- Accredited by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) to perform official regulatory duties in Minnesota
- Excellent communication skills
- Experience actively and effectively serving on boards, committees and councils including one previous term appointed to Board of Animal Health
- Experience and ability to effectively work in a team environment and on multi-disciplinary teams
- Passion for and education in the fields of One Health and Public Health
- Excellent communication skills
- Experience and ability to effectively work in a team environment and on multi-disciplinary teams
- Experience serving as a technical authority
- Experience overseeing/conducting aquaculture facility inspections, including the assessment of biosecurity and disease surveillance. Developed biosecurity and disease surveillance programs.
- Collaborated with MN Department of Natural Resources, MN Department of Agriculture, and MN legislature to develop guidance for shrimp importation and transportation in Minnesota.

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RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE

June 2022-Present      **Marshall Animal Clinic & Animal Health Center**      Marshall, MN  
*Associate Veterinarian*      Mixed animal practice. Small, large and exotic patients.

2016-Present      **Fins Feathers Fur and Fetlocks**      Marshall, MN  
*Owner, Veterinarian*  
Home companion animal care, backyard poultry and aquatic veterinary services and veterinary consulting.

January 2022-January 2023      **South Dakota State University PPVM**      Brookings, SD  
*Assistant Professor Professional Program Veterinary Medicine (2+2 Program)*

September 2009-June 2022      **Ralco & Tru Shrimp Systems**      Marshall, MN  
*Director of Veterinary Services and Biosecurity*  
2009-2017 Research & Development Laboratory Technician/Corporate Technology Manager

2015-2017      **Worthington Veterinary Clinic**      Worthington, MN  
*Relief Veterinarian*

2009-2010      **Banfield The Pet Hospital**      Burnsville, MN  
*Pet Nurse*

2009-2010      **Affiliated Emergency Veterinary Service**      Eden Prairie, MN  
*Customer Service Representative/Triage*

2004-2010      **Ivanhoe Veterinary Clinic and Marshall Animal Clinic**      Marshall, MN  
*Receptionist/Lab Assistant*

EDUCATION

2016-2024      **University of Minnesota School of Public Health**      Saint Paul, MN  
*Master of Public Health*

2008, 2011-2015      **University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine**      Saint Paul, MN  
*Doctor of Veterinary Medicine*

1999-2004      **Saint Cloud State University**      Saint Cloud, MN  
*Bachelor of Science: Biomedical Science*

1998 – 1999; 2005      **Southwest Minnesota State University**      Marshall, MN  
*Post-Secondary Education; Undergraduate Coursework*

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PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING EXPERIENCE

CLANA Conference 2015: Gut Health

Aquaculture America 2018: Training Opportunities in Aquatic Medicine

Aquaculture America 2020: Training Opportunities

Aquaculture America 2022: Hybrid Striped Bass Sensory Study

Aquaculture America 2024: Gut Health and Impact on Bottom Line

American Veterinary Medical Association Conference 2018: Shrimp 101, Health and Biosecurity

World Aquatic Veterinary Medicine Association Conference 2018: Shrimp 101, Training Opportunities

Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association Lunch N Learn 2020: Introduction to Aquatic Medicine

American Veterinary Medical Association Conference 2019: Training Opportunities

Invited: AVMA 2020 (Training Opportunities, Water Quality & Lab) Canceled due to COVID

AVMA 2021 (Training Opportunities, Water Quality, [WQ Lab-Canceled/COVID], Drug Diversion

AVMA 2022 (Training Opportunities, Water Quality, [WQ Lab-Canceled])

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AVMA 2023 (Training Opportunities, Water Quality)  
USAHA 2022 Challenges and Opportunities in Aquaculture Medicine  
America Association of Fish Veterinarians 2023 Gut Health and Why it Matters and Shrimp 101  
LAQUA 2024 Evaluation of Phytonutrient Package as a Dietary Strategy for Increasing the Resilience of Rainbow Trout

## PUBLICATIONS

Chicken Whisperer Magazine Poultry Advancements Today Articles:

Egg Binding. Fall 2023

Natural Ways to Support Immunity. Spring 2023

Wound Management. Fall 2022

Kicking Coccidiosis to the Curb. Summer 2022

Supporting Birds Natural Skin Care Regime. Spring 2022

Why poultry surgery is not a DIY project. Winter 2021

What's Crackin'? How to set up your laying flock for shell quality success. Fall 2020

Can You Feel the Heat? Recognize the Signs Alleviate the Effects of Heat Stress. Summer 2020

Prebiotics, Probiotics, and Poultry Health. Jessica Fox, Spring 2020

Oregano, Essential Oils, and Phytonutrients. Understanding plant-based additives and their use. Winter 2019

A Commercial Blend of Prebiotic Fiber, Oregano, Thyme, Cinnamon Essential Oils and Yucca Schidigera (One Current™) Supplemented Feed Increased Channel Catfish Fingerling Growth and Enhanced Disease Resistance. Peterman B, Koppien-Fox J, Petrie-Hanson L. Jr Aqua Mar Bio Eco: JAMBE-106, July 2020

Evaluation of essential oils and prebiotics for newborn dairy calves, K. A. Froehlich, K. W. Abdelsalam, C. Chase, J. Koppien-Fox, D. P. Casper, Journal of Animal Science Vol. 95 No. 8, August 2017

Antibacterial and antioxidant activity of oregano essential oil, Mellencamp, M.A. Koppien-Fox, J., Lamb, R., Dvorak, R, 122nd International Conference on the Epidemiology and Control of Biological, Chemical and Physical Hazards in Pigs and Pork, January 2011

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING, CERTIFICATIONS, AND AWARDS

Veterinary Business Management Association Board Member 2012-2014; National Conference

Veterinary Business Management Association Gold Level Business Certificate 2015

Minnesota Power of 10 Leadership Program 2016

Heartland Veterinary Conference 2016: Minnesota VMA Emerging Leader

Veterinary Leadership Conference 2017 Minnesota VMA Emerging Leader

Preventive Controls Qualified Individuals Certificate

2016 NAVC Acupuncture Laboratory

2017 MVMA Animal Cruelty Investigations - The Role of the Veterinarian Training

2018 Turkey and Broiler Health Management School Certificate

Certified Aquatic Veterinarian (World Aquatic Veterinary Medical Association)

2019 Beef Quality Assurance Program Cow-Calf Certificate

2019 Minnesota VMA Emerging Leader Award

2020 Authorized Chronic Wasting Disease Sample Collector

2020 AAHA Beyond Medicine Workshop

2021 Low Stress Cattle Handling Workshop

2021 Brave Space Certificate Program (AVMA)

2023 Workplace Wellbeing Certificate Program (AVMA)

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2023 Fear Free Certified Professional Level 2  
2023 Fear Free Certified Professional Level 3  
2022 Fear Free Certified Professional Equine  
2022 Fear Free Certified Professional Avian  
2023 Fear Free Certified Professional Elite  
2024 Fear Free Certified Professional Elite

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LICENSURES & ACCREDITATIONS

Licensed Veterinarian, State of Minnesota  
Licensed Veterinarian, State of South Dakota  
USDA Category II Accredited Veterinarian

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JESSICA KOPPIEN-FOX, DVM, CertAqV

November 6, 2024

Veterinarian, Board of Animal Health Appointment

Greetings Governor Walz and Staff,

I am writing today in application for re-appointment to the Board of Animal Health in our great state of Minnesota. It was an honor to be appointed for my first term and I have been an active appointee and take the position and responsibility seriously. I have been active both in regular meetings as well as on subcommittees.

I have knowledge and experience not only in companion animal medicine and production animal medicine including terrestrial animal and poultry, but also aquatic animal medicine. I have clinical experience as well as industry experience in food animal nutrition and human food production, zoo and aquarium experience, and teaching experience. I am active in my home community as well as in my veterinary professional community locally and nationally.

I am passionate about collaboration to protect our state and national herds from foreign animal disease through preventative medicine, surveillance, education and practical implementation of biosecurity measures, understanding the need for buy-in by all involved. I am also passionate about One Health which led to my pursuit of a master's degree in public health. I believe it is extremely important to be active in my communities. I championed a One Health event in Southwest Minnesota to connect veterinary and human medical professionals. I am experienced in serving on and leading boards, committees and councils.

With my interests, unique experience and skillset, I believe I am an excellent candidate to be reappointed to this position, and I welcome the opportunity to further discuss with you and/or your staff. If you have questions or to schedule a meeting, please contact me by phone or email.

Most Sincerely,

JESSICA KOPPIEN-FOX, DVM, CertAqV

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