

Chief Veterinary Officer

Racing NSW is the peak body for thoroughbred horse racing throughout NSW. Its responsibilities include commercial, regulatory and integrity leadership of the industry.

Applications are invited for the position of Chief Veterinary Officer.

The position reports to the General Manager of Integrity (Chairman of Stewards) and has responsibility primarily for providing high level scientific and clinical veterinary expertise to safeguard the welfare of thoroughbred horses and the integrity of the NSW racing industry. Core responsibilities include:

- officiating at metropolitan race meetings, and at provincial and country meetings when required
- working with the Stipendiary Stewards, ensuring the compliance by part-time veterinary and sample collection
 officials within established integrity assurance procedures and the Rules of Racing
- the supervision and monitoring of the sample collection process at race meetings throughout New South Wales
- participation in research and development conducted by the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory (a division of Racing NSW)
- the provision of industry advice in relation to veterinary, welfare and drug-related matters
- supervision of part-time official racing veterinarians throughout NSW
- the provision of evidence before racing inquiries and appeals
- administration and budget support.

The successful applicant will have:

- a degree in veterinary science registrable in NSW (essential)
- post-graduate training or experience in equine medicine and surgery in a specialist equine clinic or university clinic (desirable)
- excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- proven ability to manage and supervise staff
- a strong sense of initiative and the ability to identify critical issues
- the ability to work well independently and as part of a team
- the capacity to work well under pressure to meet team objectives
- a current NSW Driver's Licence
- a genuine interest in the welfare of racehorses.

Due to the inherent nature of the position, you will be required to work on a five out of seven-day roster basis, which includes weekend work. Short listed applicants will undergo a probity check. The provision of disclosure statements and adherence to the Racing NSW Code of Conduct for its employees are necessary requirements. A position description is available upon request.

Interested? Please outline details of your experience in a covering letter and provide your résumé by email to General Manager - Integrity Marc Van Gestel mvangestel@racingnsw.com.au