

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title:	<i>Senior Veterinarian</i>		
Division/Unit:	Global and Tropical Health Division		
Report to (Role):	<i>Animal Health Coordinator or Animal Health Lead</i>		
Classification Level:	Category <i>J2B10</i>		
Status (FTE):	1.0FTE	Location:	Dili, Timor-Leste
Number of positions supervised:	Directly: <i>0</i>		
	Indirectly: <i>0</i>		
Special Provisions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccinated against rabies or willing to receive the rabies vaccination. • Travel to municipalities, including participants' homes, to facilitate research activities and conduct follow-up visits as required. • Have a recent National Police Clearance Certificate. 		

ABOUT MENZIES:

As one of Australia's leading medical research institutes dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, and a leader in global and tropical research into life-threatening illnesses, Menzies School of Health Research continues to translate its research into effective partnerships and programs in communities across Australia and the Asia-Pacific region.

SUMMARY OF THE POSITION:

The Senior Veterinarian will work closely with the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Forestry and other collaborators to address priority One Health issues including antimicrobial resistance (AMR), zoonotic infections, and priority diseases affecting food production and food safety.

The role involves leading the implementation of data collection, data management and project activities under Research Excellence and Surveillance to Promote One Health Solutions for Timor-Leste and the region (RESPOSTA) with support and leadership from the Menzies' Animal Health Lead and Animal Health Coordinator.

The position will be based in Dili, Timor-Leste. It will also involve regular travel to other municipalities in Timor-Leste for up to 5 days at a time.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

The following key responsibilities are not exhaustive and may include others as directed by the Research Coordinator at Menzies School of Health Research Timor-Leste Office.

1. Lead engagement with stakeholders and farmers to explain project objectives to encourage participation.
2. Lead the development of sampling guidelines and protocol for data collection.
3. Lead field data collection, through working with farmers, traders, National Veterinary Directorate (NDV), municipal animal health services and other stakeholders
4. Lead the design, implementation, and management of electronic data collection systems, ensuring all data are accurately and comprehensively recorded
5. Lead interviews, focus group discussions, meetings and engagement sessions with participants to gain a deeper understanding on various One Health challenges, and ensure that study is in line with approved study protocols
6. Lead the analysis of collected data and prepare draft reports on field data collection and other relevant project activities
7. Communicate project findings through written reports and at presentation at scientific meetings

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8. Inform and update key stakeholders on project progress, while maintaining a positive relationship
9. Assist the Animal Health Coordinator and Animal Health Lead with reporting requirements for funders, collaborators and internal Menzies purposes
10. Provide leadership to delivery of training and capacity building activities
11. Any other tasks as reasonably required by the supervisor, country manager and project leads

SELECTION CRITERIA:

1	Qualifications:	<i>Bachelor's degree in Veterinary Science</i>
2	Essential Criteria:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A bachelor's degree with at least (4) four years subsequent relevant experience. 2. Strong verbal and written communication skills 3. High level of competence with use of computers 4. Experience in the use of electronic data collection systems such as REDcap, and data analysis 5. Attention to detail, self-motivated with initiative, good judgement, and strong problem-solving skills. 6. Ability to work with remote supervision as well as in multidisciplinary teams 7. Flexibility and ability to work well in a team and motivate other team members. 8. Good organizational and time management skills, proven ability to work efficiently and meet deadlines while maintaining accuracy and quality. 9. An understanding and awareness of relevant Workplace Health and Safety as well as Equal Opportunity principles and legislation along with a commitment to maintaining a healthy and safe workplace for all Menzies staff, students, volunteers, and visitors
3	Desirable Criteria:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Good conversational and written English 2. Previous experience working in the field of animal health, public health, and/or livestock development

COVID-19 Safety Requirements:

Menzies encourages all staff to be fully vaccinated in accordance with the latest guidance and recommendations for COVID-19 vaccination as issued by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI).

Approved by:	Country Manager 
Date Approved:	3 rd February 2026