The mission statement for FDA’s Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) reads: “Protecting Human and Animal Health.” To achieve this broad mission, CVM: (1) Makes sure an animal drug is safe and effective before approving it. The center approves animal drugs for companion (pet) animals, such as dogs, cats, and horses; and for food-producing animals, such as cattle, pigs, and chickens. If the drug is for a food-producing animal, before approving it, the center also makes sure that food products made from treated animals—meat, milk, and eggs—are safe for people to eat; (2) Monitors the safety and effectiveness of animal drugs on the market; (3) Makes sure food for animals—which includes animal feed, pet food, and pet treats—is safe, made under sanitary conditions, and properly labeled; (4) Makes sure a food additive for use in food for animals is safe and effective before approving it; (5) Conducts research that helps FDA ensure the safety of animal drugs, food for animals, and food products made from animals; and (6) Helps make more animal drugs legally available for minor species, such as fish, hamsters, and parrots; and for minor (infrequent and limited) uses in a major species, such as cattle, turkeys, and dogs.

**Employer Industry Area:** Government

**Types of Opportunities Employer is Recruiting:** Full Time positions | Fellowships

**Location(s) of Current Employer Opportunities:** Rockville, MD

**Fields of Study Employer is Recruiting:** All Biomedical PhD fields of study

**Types of Graduate Students / Postdoctoral Fellows Employer Recruits:** PhD candidates and/or recent alumni | Postdoctoral Fellows or Clinical Fellows

**Employer Work Authorization Restrictions:** US Citizens and Permanent Residents