



GIC FIELD VETERINARY TECHNICIAN PROGRAM

Gilman International Conservation (GIC) with major support from the Wildlife Conservation Network (WCN) is undertaking a one-year pilot project to provide veterinary technician support and training to field (*in situ*) conservation, veterinary, and research projects. This program will provide a well-trained, skilled veterinary technician to assist field biologists and/or veterinarians in conservation and research activities and to provide training to biologists, technicians, and others as needed. As examples, a field veterinary technician can:

- Assist in capture, restraint, monitoring, observation, and care of animals.
- Assist in immobilizations and physiologic monitoring of anesthetized animals.
- Provide assistance and training in proper biological sample collection, preparation, storage, logging, shipping, etc.
- Assist veterinarians in all clinical and surgical procedures occurring in the field.
- Train field assistants in basic technical and veterinary procedures.
- Provide field clinical pathology support.
- Assist and provide training in field necropsy techniques and sample collection.
- Organize, prepare, and care for equipment and supplies used in field projects.
- Assist in development of standard operating procedures (SOPs) and technical protocols for field projects.
- Assist in collection and organization of data and data analysis for research projects.

This program will begin June 1, 2004 and will provide the technician and her salary/benefits and insurance. Chosen field projects will be responsible for all travel costs and essential living expenses of the technician while on the project.

Scheduling of projects for the field technician will be done through an application process. Applications prior to the June 1st start date are encouraged. Applications should include a description of the field project, anticipated technician duties or assistance required, and the time period the technician is needed. Applications should be sent or emailed to: Scott B. Citino, D.V.M., Dipl. ACZM, White Oak Conservation Center, 581705 White Oak Road, Yulee, Florida 32097 USA, email: scottc@wogilman.com.

If you have further questions about this program or the application process, please contact Scott Citino, Tel: (904)225-3387, Fax: (904)225-3337, scottc@wogilman.com.