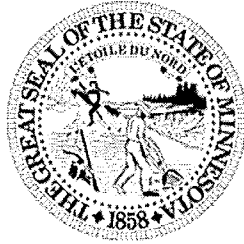


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**Governor Tim Walz**

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**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

**Abigail Maynard**

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

**Licensed Veterinarian Specializing in Companion  
Animals**

**Board of Animal Health**

Effective: November 14, 2023

Expires: January 4, 2027

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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.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 November 9, 2023.



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Tim Walz  
Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

Steve Simon  
Secretary of State

New Seat

Filed November 9, 2023  
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Steve Simon

**Part I: Position Sought**

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**Agency Name:** Board Of Animal Health  
**Position:** Licensed Veterinarian

**Part II: Applicant Information**

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**Name:** Abigail Maynard  
**Phone:** (612) 910-8459  
**County:** Washington  
**Recommended by the Appointing Authority:** False  
**House District:** 53B  
**Senate House District:** 2

**Part III: Appending Documentation**

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**Cover Letter and Resume**

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Cover Letter	application/pdf
Resume	application/pdf

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

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**Part V: Signature**

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**Signature:** Abigail Maynard  
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**ABIGAIL MAYNARD**

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Doctor of Veterinary Medicine with a demonstrated history of exceeding expectations, an excellent leadership record and a commitment to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion. Proven track record of providing professional and compassionate care to small, large, and exotic animals. Experienced with providing medical treatments and procedures, training and developing staff, and upgrading practice protocols to best practice medical standards. Skilled in organizing externship opportunities and CE opportunities to strengthen the knowledge base of teams. Innovative practitioner capable of navigating financial and resource related limitations to provide veterinary care. Self-driven individual able to manage multiple projects and execute tasks yielding impactful results in a timely manner.

**EDUCATION**

<b>DVM</b>	St. George's University School of Veterinary Medicine True Blue, Grenada, W.I.	2017
<b>BSc.</b>	St. George's University School of Arts and Science True Blue, Grenada, W.I.	2013
<b>AS</b>	Barbados Community College Howell's Rd, Bridgetown, Barbados, W.I.	2011

**LICENSURE AND ACCREDITATION**

<b>Minnesota Veterinary License</b>	13217	2017 – present
<b>USDA National Accreditation</b>	084314	2017 – present
Tennessee Veterinary License	6610	2017 – 2020

**EMPLOYMENT**

**St. Paul Pet Hospital**

*Small animal, dual clinic practice serving the Twin Cities Area. Limited exotics.*

Medical Director | October 2022 – Present

- Oversight and implementation of clinic wide medical standards and policies
- Updating and continuously revising existing medical protocols to maintain a progressive clinical approach.
- Identify and address areas of improvement in doctor and support staff training and coordinate training goals with management.
- Address any client concerns professionally in cooperation with management.
- Responsible for organizing events to raise funds for Veterinary Care Foundation – an internal, non-profit fund for pets in need.
- Provide clinic wide continuing education opportunities.
- Oversight of associate veterinarians' performance financially and clinically
- Maintain a monthly informative online blog.

**Interim Medical Director | April – June 2022**

- Maintained the responsibilities of medical director while the MD was on leave.
- Updated policies and procedures to a higher medical standard.
- Wrote monthly informative articles for an online blog targeted towards clientele/community.
- Managed student externship opportunities
- Held biweekly ‘Policy and Procedures’ meetings
- Provided CE opportunities to strengthen the knowledge base of the DVM team
- Organized AFAST ultrasound wet lab for DVMs

**Associate Veterinarian | 2020 – present**

- Recognized by peers and colleagues as SPPH Cathedral Club DVM 2021
- Assist fellow DVMs with the development of their surgical skills.
- Provided client education discharge template for fellow DVMs surgical SOAP completion.
- Contributed to the improvement of protocols and anesthesia monitoring.
- Training and development of support staff technical skills
- Small Animal Surgery/Dentistry and Medical Care and Urgent Care Services
- Exotics Surgery and Medical Care

**Fuzzy Pet Health**

**Telehealth Veterinarian, Remote | 2020 – 2023**

- Build core telehealth programs around triage and emergency support and pet care education
- Collaborate with DVM team to build educational courses for staff and clients.
- Participate in Company Community Outreach Projects
- Perform text and video teletriage consults with clients and patients.
- Create progressive strategies and standard of care in the relatively new to veterinary medicine telehealth frontier within the scope of the VCPR

**Banfield Pet Hospital**

**Relief Veterinarian | 2020**

- Provided relief veterinary services for corporate clinics who had veterinarian shortages due to COVID related absences.

**St. George’s University School of Veterinary Medicine Admissions Department**

**Interviewer | 2019 – 2021**

- Interviewed vet school applicants as an independent contractor.

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**Dickson Horse Sale**

**Coggins Sample Collection Veterinarian | 2018 – 2019**

- Jugular venipuncture and paperwork for Coggins testing at local horse sale

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**All Animals Veterinary Hospital/White Bluff Animal Clinic**

*Mixed animal, dual clinic practice: 85% small animal, 10% large animal, 5% exotics.*

**Associate Veterinarian | 2017 – 2019**

- Provided after hours emergency services for all species.
- Organized externship opportunities for vet students and provided housing for externs.
- Organized social gatherings to improve interpersonal work relations team camaraderie.
- Identified and eliminated potential liability issues within clinic protocols.
- Small and Large Animal Surgery/Dentistry and Medical Care
- Exotics Surgery and Medical Care

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Prevalence of antibodies to *T. gondii* and *N. caninum* in pigs in Grenada, W.I. | 2015

Ravindra Nath Sharma, Keshaw Tiwari, Alfred Chikweto, Claude DeAllie, Muhammad Iqbal Bhaiyat  
Department of Pathobiology, School of Veterinary Medicine, St. George's University, St. George, Grenada  
Veterinary and Livestock Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Land, Fisheries and Environment, Grenada

## PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

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Guest Speaker - Black History Month Invitee, VOICE Chapter | 2023

- Long Island University, College of Veterinary Medicine

Guest Speaker - Student Association for Black Veterinarians | 2022

- Louisiana State University, School of Veterinary Medicine

Featured in a written article and an informational video surrounding DEI in vet med | 2021

- GOALE, University of Minnesota, College of Veterinary Medicine

Guest speaker for Class of 2023 DEI conversational session | 2020

- GOALE, University of Minnesota, College of Veterinary Medicine

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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IVS Gastroenterology Conference, Africa | 2023

AVMA Veterinary Leadership Conference | 2023

IVS Dermatology Conference, Peru | 2022

MVU AFAST Wet lab | 2022

IVDL online CE workshops | 2020

AVMA Convention | 2019

Music City Veterinary Conference | 2018

Minnesota H5/H7 LPAI Emergency Disease Management Committee Meeting | 2017

Iowa State University Swine Day Conference | 2016

Women in Veterinary Medicine Leadership Workshop | 2015

Interactive Seminar in Dairy Consulting Services | 2015

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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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MVMA DEI Action Team | 2023

MVMA Power of Ten Leadership Program | 2023

MVMA Small Animal Welfare Committee Member | 2023 – present

University of Minnesota CVM Alumni and Friends Society Board Member | 2022 – present  
American Veterinary Medical Association Member | 2017 – present

Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association Member | 2016 – 2017; 2023 – present

American Association of Food Safety and Public Health Veterinarians Member | 2018 – 2019  
Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association Member | 2017 – 2019

Student American Veterinary Medical Association Member | 2013 – 2017

American Association of Equine Practitioners Member | 2013 – 2014

St. George's University School of Arts & Sciences Alumni Association Member | 2013 – present

St. George's University School of Veterinary Medicine Alumni Association Member | 2017 – present

St. George's University Professional Attributes Workshop Member | 2014 – 2016

St. George's University International Veterinary Student Association Member | 2014 – 2016

SGU Large Animal Society Member, Production Animal Club President, Treasurer | 2011 – 2016

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EXTERNSHIPS**

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- Rhino Dehorning, Elephant Collaring and Wildlife Conservation Volunteer Vet | July 2023  
- Loop Abroad: Dr. Chloe Buiting, Dr. Ben Muller & Dr. Joel Alves, South Africa
- USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Extern | January – February 2017  
- Dr. Mary Donahue & Dr. Stephan Schaeftbauer, St. Paul, MN.
- New Sweden Dairy Veterinary Student Extern | January 2017  
- Dr. Sandra Godden, New Sweden Dairy, Nicollet, MN.
- Grenada Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Extern | November – December 2016  
- Dr. Sharon Sage, Grenada.
- Animal Humane Society Extern | November 2016  
- Dr. Sara Herrlinger, Golden Valley, MN.
- University of Minnesota Raptor Center Extern | October 2016  
- Dr. Michelle Willette, Gabbert Raptor Center, St. Paul, MN.
- Minnesota Department of Health Extern | September 2016  
- Dr. Joni Scheftel, MDH, St. Paul, MN.
- Poultry Medicine Clerkship | July 2016  
- Dr. Rob Porter and Dr. Yuko Sato, IA & MN.
- Trinity Animal Clinic Student Volunteer | July 2015  
- Dr. Laura Hutchinson, St. Philip, Barbados.
- USDA Food Safety and Inspection Services Student Program | May – June 2015  
- Dr. Shoshana Tanenbaum, Jennie-O Turkey Store, Faribault MN.
- Central Veterinary Clinic Student Volunteer | December 2014  
- Dr. Gus Reader, St. George, Barbados

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## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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- Volunteer veterinarian: Rhino dehorning, elephant collaring and other conservation field work | 2023  
- Loop Abroad, Hoedspruit, South Africa
- Orchestrated a free microchip clinic partnered with Fi Smart Dog Collar Company | 2023  
- Pet Evolution, Grand Ave, St. Paul
- Orchestrated a free microchip clinic partnered with Fi Smart Dog Collar Company | 2023  
- Union Depot 'Doggie Depot', St. Paul
- Career Day Volunteer Speaker and Career Fair Volunteer Participant: Grades K-4, K-2, 3 and 4 | 2023  
- Phalen Lake Hmong Studies School, St. Paul
- Part of a team effort to prepare and provide toys and food items to families in need for Christmas | 2022  
- Lighthouse Christian Church, Rosemount, MN
- Provided educational information about pets and COVID-19 for local TV news channels | 2021  
- KSTP + Fox 9, MN
- Educational half hour radio interview about general pet husbandry and care | 2017  
- Know Your County Radio Show - WDKN 1260 AM/ 101.3 FM, Dickson, TN.
- Minnesota State Fair Miracle of Birth Center Veterinary Team Volunteer | August – September 2016  
- Dr. Maria Pieters, Miracle of Birth Center, MN
- Vector-borne Disease Day Testing Clinic – provided free testing for local pets | 2014  
- St. George's University SVM One World, One Medicine Initiative, Grenada, W.I.
- Professional Attributes Workshop Team Member – Volunteer Facilitator | 2014 – 2016  
- St. George's University, School of Veterinary Medicine Grenada W.I.

## OTHER

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Twin Cities Dog Powered Sports Weight Pull

- Competitor and volunteer | 2023 – present

St. Croix Rat Pack Barn Hunt Association

- Competitor, rat handler, trial scribe, trial course builder | 2022 – present

Avid global traveler

- 20 countries, 3 pending | Lifetime

Pet Owner

- 2yr M(N) cairn terrier, Sirius Strider | 2021 – present
- 1yr M(N) APBT x American bulldog x American bully, Rigel Ross | 2022 – present

## REFERENCES

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**Dr. Cherice Roth** | Chief Veterinary Officer, Digital Pet Health Platform

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**Dr. Ellie Goan** | Owner

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Dickson, TN 37055

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Minnesota Board of Animal Health  
625 Robert St N,  
St. Paul, 55155

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Dear Governor Walz,

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Companion Animal Veterinarian position with the Minnesota Board of Animal Health, as advertised. It is with great enthusiasm and a genuine passion for veterinary medicine that I submit my application, accompanied by a diverse and comprehensive background in this field.

From a young age, I have been captivated by the world of veterinary medicine. It has been a lifelong dream to contribute to the health and well-being of animals, and to make a meaningful impact in this regard. My journey in veterinary medicine has been marked by a relentless pursuit of knowledge and hands-on experience in various facets of the field.

My educational foundation includes a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degree from St. George's University, completing my clinical year at the University of Minnesota's College of Veterinary Medicine, where I honed my skills and acquired in-depth knowledge. I have also actively sought out diverse experiences, such as externships in small animal clinics, wildlife rehabilitation centers, and animal shelters, to gain a well-rounded understanding of the different aspects of veterinary care. This has not only sharpened my diagnostic and treatment abilities but has also instilled in me a commitment to serving the entire spectrum of animals in our community.

What sets me apart is my dedication to veterinary medicine in Minnesota. While I am originally from the Caribbean, I have a strong connection to this state and its vibrant community of pet owners and animal lovers. Over the years, I have actively engaged in community service initiatives, such as volunteering at local animal shelters, offering pro bono services to a variety of organizations, and participating in educational outreach programs to promote the field of veterinary medicine as a career choice in our future generations.

Furthermore, I am an active member of various professional associations, including the MVMA Small Animal Welfare Committee, where I have collaborated with fellow veterinarians to address critical issues affecting animal health in our state. My involvement in these associations reflects my commitment to staying current with the latest advancements in veterinary medicine and my dedication to ensuring the highest standards of care are upheld.

I am excited about the opportunity to contribute my expertise and passion to the Board of Animal Health, working alongside dedicated professionals in the field. I am committed to



advancing the health and welfare of companion animals in Minnesota and am eager to be part of this team's mission.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how my experiences, dedication, and skills align with the goals of the Board of Animal Health. Please feel free to contact me at 612-910-8459 or [abigaim.maynard@gmail.com](mailto:abigaim.maynard@gmail.com) to schedule an interview. I am excited about the prospect of contributing to the well-being of companion animals in Minnesota through this role.

Sincerely,  
Abigail Maynard

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