# Robert Frederick Gerlach, VMD

## **Contact Information:**

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AK Veterinary License- V255 National Veterinary Accreditation Program- License # 025100

## Education and training experiences:

-Graduate Pennsylvania State University (BS Veterinary Science-1978).

-Graduate University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine (VMD-1982).

-Post Doctoral Fellowship in Pathophysiology at Associated Western University/Lovelace Inhalation Toxicology Research Institute (1987).

Completed multiple USDA training for animal disease testing:

- Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostician, Animal Disease outbreak training,
- Incident Command Training (ICS-100,200,300,400).
- Accredited by the USDA to perform livestock disease testing, ex. Tuberculosis, Brucellosis, Transmissible Spongiform Encephalitis (CWD, BSE), etc.

-Continuing education training to maintain Alaska State veterinary license, and USDA National Veterinary Accreditation status.

-Commissioned as an officer of the Dept of Health and Human Services FDA expires 2024,

-Affiliate Faculty at University of Fairbanks, Dept. of Veterinary Medicine, expires 2024.

#### Memberships:

- -American Veterinary Medical Association
- -Alaska Veterinary Medical Association
- -Alaska Farm Bureau
- -American Association of Public Health Veterinarian
- -Charles Louis Davis and Samuel Wesley Thompson DVM Foundation
- -American Association of Small Ruminant Practitioners.
- -Previous memberships (2003-2024) of:
  - U.S. Animal Health Association (USAHA)
  - -Board of Directors USAHA
  - -American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians
  - -Western States Livestock Health Association

President 2012

-Cross Border Livestock Health Association

### Government, and state positions and awards received:

-2001 – 2003 Wild Food Safety Coordinator, Manager for the Alaska Fish Monitoring Program, ADEC.

-Member of US Delegation to the Arctic Council Ministerial Meeting, Inari, Finland.

-2003 – 2024 Alaska State Veterinarian.

-2005 Alaska Diversified Livestock Association Appreciation Award.

-2006 Alaska Farm Bureau Agricultural Appreciation Award.

-2008 FDA Recognition Award as a member of the Pet Food and Animal Feed Contaminant Response Group.

-2008 Appreciation Award from ADF&G for participation in the Wood Bison Restoration.

-2009 UDSA Certificate of Appreciation for participation in the National Animal Health Reporting System (NAHRS).

-2009 State of Alaska Certificate of Appreciation for Contribution to the Development of Climate Change Strategy for Alaska.

-2014 Appreciation Award from Alaskan Tribal Conference on Environmental Management.

-2015 FDA Recognition Award as a member of the Alaska and Seattle Fish Collaboration.

-2016 Governor's Denali Peak Performance Award.

-2023 Governor's Denali Peak Performance Award Nominee for Crisis Response Team, Environmental Health Covid Response Team.

-2023 Dept of Army Certificate of Appreciation for support of Public Health Activity-Fort Lewis Leadership Office.

-2024 Alaska Veterinary Medical Association Meritorious Award.

## Employment work history:

-1974- 1978 Pennsylvania State University, Research Assistant Dept. of Land and Water Resources-Land use of sewage effluent, Ecological impact.

-1976-1977 Pennsylvania State University Dept. of Genetics, Study of calcium metabolism in domestic poultry.

-1977-1978 Pennsylvania State University Dept. Veterinary Science, Pathogenesis of coliform mastitis.

-1976-1981 Quakertown Veterinary Clinic, Laboratory Assistant, Veterinary Assistant for Dr. Daniel Burnside, DVM.

-1981 Cochranton Veterinary Clinic, Veterinary Assistant for Dr Larry Spencer, DVM.

-1982-1985 Crestview Animal Clinic, Dr. Lavern Doughtery, General practice veterinarian specializing in dairy practice and bovine reproduction.

-1985-1988 Lovelace Inhalation Toxicology Research Institute, Veterinarian for laboratory animal colonies.

-1989-2000 Chugach Veterinary Clinic, Dr Tom McGregor, General practice veterinarian, primarily small animals.

-2001 Highland Animal Clinic General practice veterinarian, primarily small animals.

-2001 – 2003 Wild Food Safety Coordinator, Manager for the Alaska Fish Monitoring Program, ADEC.

-2001- 2024 Alaska delegate to the EPA Fish Contaminants Program.

-Member of US Delegation to the Arctic Council Ministerial Meeting, Inari, Finland.

-2003 – 2024 Alaska State Veterinarian.

Note: A publication list can be provided at request.