



## Ohio Revised Code

### Section 4741.53 Program lottery selection and letter of intent.

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(A) If the veterinarian student debt assistance fund created in section 4741.56 of the Revised Code contains sufficient money and the general assembly has appropriated funds for the veterinarian student debt assistance program, the state veterinary medical licensing board may approve a veterinarian for participation in the program if the board finds that the veterinarian is eligible for participation in the program. By the first day of June of each odd-numbered calendar year, the board shall compile a list of all veterinarians who applied in accordance with section 4741.52 of the Revised Code.

(B) The state veterinary medical licensing board shall select eligible veterinarians to receive veterinarian student debt assistance in accordance with the lottery system established in rules adopted under section 4741.51 of the Revised Code.

(C) Upon selection of a veterinarian, the board shall notify and enter into discussions with the veterinarian. The object of the discussions is to determine if the veterinarian agrees to do both of the following:

(1) Perform charitable veterinarian services in this state in an amount and for a duration of time established in rules adopted under section 4741.51 of the Revised Code;

(2) Reside in this state for a minimum duration of time established in rules adopted under section 4741.51 of the Revised Code after the receipt of veterinarian student debt assistance.

If, after discussions, the veterinarian so agrees, the veterinarian shall prepare, sign, and deliver to the board a letter of intent stipulating the agreed to terms.

(D) If the veterinarian does not prepare, sign, and deliver the letter of intent to the board within thirty days of receiving notice under division (C) of this section, the veterinarian forfeits their acceptance into the program and the board shall select another veterinarian for participation in the program.



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