

Antimicrobial Stewardship During COVID-19 Pandemic

COVID-19 has brought numerous challenges to the animal production industry. Some of these challenges are affecting the typical chain of food distribution.

Considerations for the continuation of antimicrobial stewardship in livestock during COVID-19



ESSENTIAL WORKERS

Veterinarians and farmers continue essential industry work

COMMUNICATION

Maintain veterinarian-client-patient relationships (VCPRs)



IMPACTS OF DELAYS IN FOOD CHAIN

Increased holding times
Evaluate changing animal needs



FOOD SAFETY

Regulations remain in place
Pay extra attention to record keeping and animal tracking



TREATMENT OPTIONS

Reassess veterinary feed directives (VFDs) and prescription drugs used to avoid extensive withdrawal times



Update treatment protocols for animals unable to move to processing

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!



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