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Animal Health Contacts

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Not sure who to contact? We can help!

Select an option from the list below.

I want to...

- report sick or dead livestock, aquatics, or poultry
- ask about veterinary accreditation; livestock, aquatic, or poultry health and diseases; or livestock or poultry participating in 4-H or local fairs
- ask about an animal health policy being implemented in your State
- request an extension to the 28-Hour Law for livestock being transported in interstate commerce
- get information about animal health emergency management, including response guidelines, foreign animal disease preparedness, and related training
- contact APHIS licensing or laboratory staff or report an "adverse event" related to use of a veterinary biologic
- submit a sample for animal disease testing, order diagnostic reagents or proficiency tests, or ask about other veterinary diagnostic services
- find important information for existing National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) labs, including standard operating procedure lists and locations of current NAHLN laboratories
- ask about the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility

Area Veterinarians in Charge (by State)

Contact the APHIS Area Veterinarians in Charge in your State to report sick or dead livestock, aquatics, or poultry. Our experts are also available for questions about veterinary accreditation; livestock, aquatic, and poultry health and diseases; preparing livestock or poultry to participate in 4-H or the fair; and the 28-Hour Law for livestock being transported in commerce.

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National Preparedness and Incident Coordination Center

Emergency management personnel, livestock or poultry producers, and others may contact the National Preparedness and Incident Coordination Center for a wide range of questions. The Center's staff can advise on emergency response guidelines, the Foreign Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Plan, the Veterinary Services Training and Exercise Program, and more.

National Preparedness and Incident Coordination Center

Email: fad.prep.comments@usda.gov

Center for Veterinary Biologics

The Center for Veterinary Biologics (CVB) regulates veterinary biological products that diagnose, prevent, or treat animal diseases. Manufacturers and users of these products may contact the Center for questions about regulatory requirements, inspections, or licensing or to report an adverse event related to the use of a veterinary biologic.

For CVB-related questions, including policy, evaluation, and licensing as well as inspection and compliance:

Center for Veterinary Biologics

Email: cvb@usda.gov

Phone: 515-337-6100

To report an adverse event:

- USDA Adverse Event Reporting

Mailing Address:

1920 Dayton Ave.

P.O. Box 844

Ames, IA 50010

To report an adverse event:

- USDA Adverse Event Reporting

National Veterinary Services Laboratories

Veterinarians, animal health officials, laboratory personnel, and others may contact the National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) to access a nationwide animal-health diagnostic system. Our services range from single laboratory tests to comprehensive laboratory services covering many pathogens for a suspected disease outbreak.

For NVSL-related questions:

National Veterinary Services Laboratories

Email: nvsl.info@usda.gov

Phone: 515-337-7266

For more contact information and hours of operation:

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National Animal Health Laboratory Network

The National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) is a network of animal disease diagnostic laboratories that provides ongoing disease surveillance, responds quickly to disease events, communicates diagnostic outcomes to decision makers, and has the capability and capacity to meet diagnostic needs during animal disease outbreaks.

NAHLN Program Office

Email: nahln@usda.gov

Phone: 515-337-7731

For a complete list of NAHLN laboratories:

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National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility

Once fully operational, the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility will be the first U.S. facility to provide maximum biocontainment (biosafety level-4) laboratories that can house large livestock for research and diagnostics of zoonotic diseases. APHIS will run this facility jointly with USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility

Email: nbaf@usda.gov

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