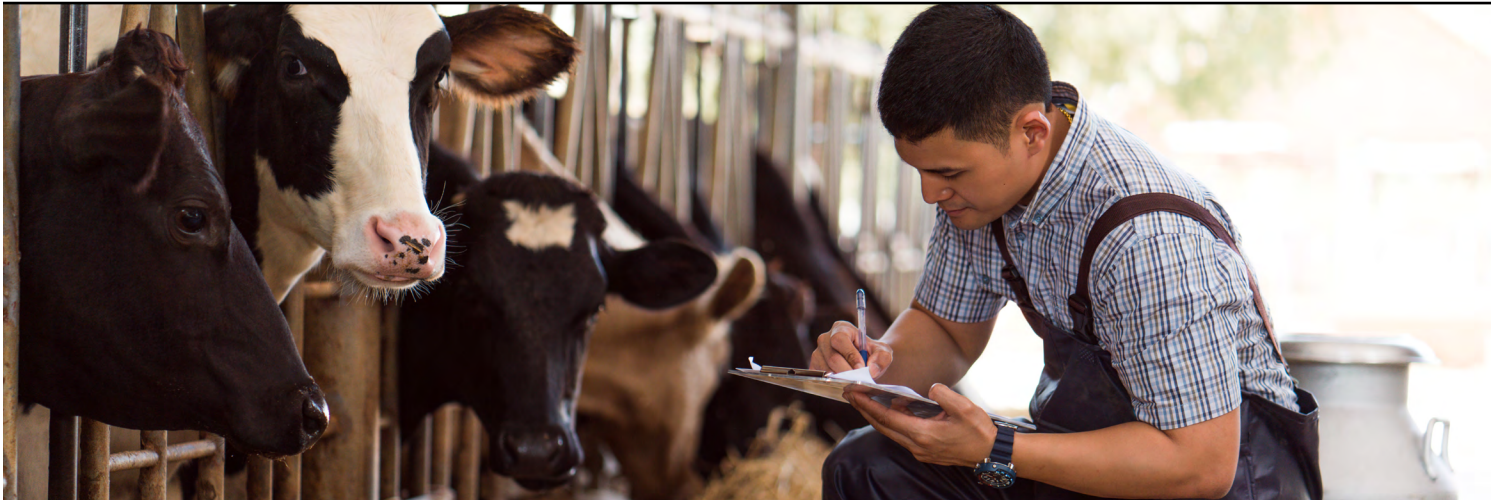




USDA Support Options for Dairy Herd Producers



Available to All Producers

Biosecurity Planning and Implementation – Up to \$1,500 per premises

Eligible expenses include:

- Labor hours for farm workers to complete biosecurity training
- Working with State animal health personnel* or hiring a private entity to:
 - Develop site-specific biosecurity plans
 - Develop and/or provide biosecurity training
 - Conduct a biosecurity audit
- Up to \$100 for the purchase and installation of an in-line sampler for the milk system

* *Compensated through a cooperative agreement with the State*

The Farm Service Agency also provides farm loans for biosecurity measures. Learn more at www.aphis.usda.gov/sites/default/files/farm-loans-for-biosecurity.pdf.

Offset Shipping Costs for Influenza A Testing – Up to \$100 (combined) per premises each month

Samples must be shipped to a National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) laboratory for HPAI testing. Eligible expenses include, but may not exceed \$100 per month combined:

- Up to \$50 per shipment, up to 2 shipments per month
- Shipping supplies

Available to Affected Producers Only

Heat Treatment to Dispose of Milk – Up to \$8,000 per premises

Methods must treat milk in accordance with FDA standards (www.fda.gov/media/140394/download). A detailed heat treatment plan must be submitted to USDA.

Reimbursement for Veterinary Costs – Up to \$10,000 per premises

From 14 days prior confirmation and up to 120 days total, eligible expenses include:

- Veterinarian's fees and supplies for HPAI-related animal treatment and sample collection
- Labor hours for farm workers to administer treatment

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) – Up to \$2,000 per premises, monthly

Participation in a Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) epidemiological study is required and must be verified by CDC personnel. Eligible expenses include:

- PPE – up to \$10 per person/suit
- Laundering costs, beyond activities normally conducted on the farm, including purchase of increased efficiency machines or detergent with greater cleaning/sanitizing efficacy

Milk Loss Offset

For details, go to www.fsa.usda.gov/ELAP.

How to Participate

1. Contact the Area Veterinarian in Charge (www.aphis.usda.gov/contact/animal-health) or State Animal Health Official to enroll.
2. Sign an agreement detailing the options you wish to use; this plan includes a stipulation for USDA personnel to conduct a review every 30 days to monitor implementation of these options.
3. Work with USDA personnel to develop a plan for your premises.
4. Register with the System for Award Management (SAM), which provides a mechanism of payment, or an alternative payment method (i.e., electronic funds transfer or paper check). SAM payments are the most timely.
5. Track expenses and maintain receipts for reimbursement.
6. Submit receipts for reimbursement either every 30 days (4 times) or at the end of the 120-day enrollment period.

