

FACT SHEET 21

OVERVIEW OF THE CPC'S VACCINE AND DRUG USE POLICY



PRODUCERS PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN MITIGATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE.

The CPC's Vaccine and Drug Use Policy reflects how producers are committing to the responsible and prudent use of antibiotics and veterinary pharmaceuticals.

OBJECTIVES OF THE VACCINE AND DRUG USE POLICY

Food safety Ensure the proper use of veterinary products to prevent drug residue in pork.

Antimicrobial resistance Encourage the responsible use of antimicrobials to reduce the development of antimicrobial resistance that could pose a risk to human or animal health.

Antimicrobial stewardship Demonstrate that Canadian pork producers are committed to antimicrobial stewardship and the sustainable use of antimicrobials.



Producer's implementation of the Vaccine and Drug Use Policy will be assessed during the validation process for CQA and PigSAFE | PigCARE programs starting in January 2019.

1. Under the guidance of their veterinarian, producers may use the following products under specific conditions, including extra-label drug use:

- Medications labelled for swine in Canada, bearing a Drug Identification Number (DIN) assigned by Health Canada, in a dosage form.
- Medications labelled for another food-producing animal in Canada, bearing a DIN assigned by Health Canada and in dosage form.
- Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) produced in accordance with Health Canada's requirements for APIs.

2. Under special circumstances, veterinarians may recommend the following to producers:

- Autogenous Veterinary Biologics (AVB).
- Products obtained under the Emergency Drug Release (EDR) Program.
- Products that have an Investigational New Drug (IND) certificate.
- Products that have an Experimental Study Certificate.

3. Producers may use the following:

- Products for Own-Use Importation identified on List B of the Food and Drugs Regulations.
- Veterinary Health Products included on List C of Health Canada's Food and Drugs Regulations.

4. The following are **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** for farms registered in CQA or PigSAFE programs:

- The use Category I antibiotics for prevention.
- The use of Category I, II and III antibiotics for growth promotion.
- The use of Health Canada's Category I antimicrobials as an API.