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AHCLSK332 Monitor animals in intensive production systems

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Modification History

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1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to monitor livestock in an intensive production system.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, work health and safety, animal welfare and biosecurity legislation and codes of practice and sustainability practices.

This unit applies to beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats and pigs.

This unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities and work in a range of known contexts.

All units of competency dealing with animals in the AHC Training Package have the requirements for animals to be handled humanely to minimise stress and discomfort.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil.

Unit Sector

Livestock (LSK)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Monitor animal health status	1.1 Source information on animal health programs from the livestock production plans 1.2 Assess animal health status by routinely inspecting each animal from induction to despatch by having unimpeded access and

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	<p>opportunity to observe behavioural characteristics, signs of ill-health and freedom of movement</p> <p>1.3 Source information on past treatment(s) from the individual animal's identification tag or identification marking and enterprise records</p> <p>1.4 Identify husbandry practices appropriate for the health status of the individual animal: follow-up observation, isolation from other livestock and/ or treatment</p>
2. Identify animals requiring treatment	<p>2.1 Identify individual animals with potential health issues or in ill health</p> <p>2.2 Determine the type and severity of infection or injury and identify and/or isolate affected animals requiring treatment</p>
3. Determine the type and scope of treatment	<p>3.1 Determine the need for, type and scope of treatment by seeking expert or veterinary advice</p> <p>3.2 Prepare equipment, materials and treatment site</p> <p>3.4 Identify work health and safety hazards, assess risks and implement control measures in relation to the treatment</p> <p>3.5 Record withholding periods and other details of treatment</p>
4. Administer treatment	<p>4.1 Check, select and use suitable personal protective equipment (PPE)</p> <p>4.1 Handle and restrain animals safely and humanely</p> <p>4.2 Administer treatment appropriately according to chemical label or veterinary advice</p> <p>4.3 Identify treated animals from non-treated animals to ensure compliance with the required Withholding Period (WHP)</p> <p>4.4 Prepare and move treated animals as planned</p>
5. Carry out post-treatment procedures	<p>5.1 Monitor animal health and condition post-treatment and report on animal's progress</p> <p>5.2 Identify, environmental impacts associated with the administration of treatment, assess likely outcomes and take responsive action</p> <p>5.3 Clean equipment and worksite, and dispose of organic and non-organic waste appropriately</p> <p>5.4 Store unused medications appropriately</p> <p>5.5 Complete documentation and records accurately and promptly</p> <p>5.6 Comply with enterprise biosecurity policies</p>

Foundation Skills

Foundation Skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

Unit Mapping Information

This unit is equivalent to AHCLSK332A Monitor animals in intensive production systems

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>