No Vet? Now What?

Utilizing Your Veterinarian

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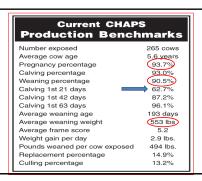












Key Elements of a Herd Health Program

- Nutrition
- Parasitism
- · Biosecurity
- · Vaccination vs Immunization
- Management



Utilizing Technologies

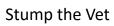
- Anthelmetics (de-wormers)
- prevents parasitism
- Vaccines
 - prevents health issues
- · Growth implants
- · Artificial insemination
 - Increase genetics
- Appropriate use of injectable trace minerals
- Castration

Management Approach

- 90% of disease is a management issue
- There is no substitute for good animal husbandry
- Accurate diagnosis is critical for management plan

Make the Correct Diagnosis First

























Label

- READ THE LABEL
- Never use an outdated drug or vaccine
- When using more than one product, label syringes so mistakes are not made in drawing vaccines (or other injectable products)
- Use 5/8" needles to ensure sub-Q



The Veterinarian-Client-Patient **Relationship VCPR**

- The veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR) is the basis for interaction among veterinarians, their clients, and their patients. A VCPR means that all of the following are required:
 The veterinarian has assumed responsibility for making clinical judgments regarding the health of the patient and the client has agreed to follow the veterinarian's instructions. The veterinarian has sufficient knowledge of the patient to initiate at least a general or preliminary diagnosis of the medical condition of the patient. This means that the veterinarian is personally acquainted with the keeping and care of the patient by virtue of a timely examination of the patient by the veterinarian, animal(s), or medically appropriate and timely visits by the veterinarian to the operation where the patient is managed.

 The veterinarian is readily available for follow-up evaluation or has arranged for the following: veterinary emergency coverage, and continuing care and treatment.

 The veterinarian provides oversight of freatment, compliance, and outcome.

 Patient records are maintained.

Take Home Message

- · Make an accurate diagnosis
- Injecting a foreign substance is not always the answer
- Remember www.BQA.org
- · Adhere to labeled drug withdrawal times
- · Establish a valid VCPR
- · Do no harm

