



DID YOU KNOW...

Alberta Veterinary Surveillance Network provides:

- Timely notification of important livestock and poultry disease events as they occur
- A team of specialized veterinarians who work to reduce impacts of catastrophic disease events
- Information that supports consumer confidence, market access and sales
- Information to veterinarians and producers to help them make informed decisions for disease management
- Information to public health agencies to help them address food safety and zoonotic disease issues

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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WHAT CAN THE ALBERTA VETERINARY SURVEILLANCE NETWORK DO FOR YOU?

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WHAT IS AVSN?

ALBERTA VETERINARY SURVEILLANCE NETWORK (AVSN) is a Government of Alberta program supporting producers, private veterinarians and a team of animal disease experts to address poultry and livestock disease issues that affect industry, food safety and public health

AVSN is part of the Canadian Animal Health Surveillance Network for laboratories and supports national surveillance

AVSN can provide veterinarians tools to:

Detect infectious and non-infectious diseases

Respond by providing specialized veterinarians to assist in investigating livestock and poultry diseases in partnership with producers and their veterinarians

Resolve problems in collaboration with producers and their veterinarians

Support industry Recovery following an incursion of an important disease event

Produce and communicate information from AVSN to veterinarians, producers and government to assist in decisions about health issues in Alberta's livestock



FOR VETERINARIANS

PARTICIPATE IN DISEASE DETECTION

Participate in a network of veterinarians and producers that collects and reports real-time information about animal health

RECEIVE DIAGNOSTIC SUPPORT

If you encounter an unusual disease or a diagnostic challenge support is available through on-farm investigation, diagnostic pathology or other services

AVSN has investigated:

- Suspect provincially reportable diseases
 - *Salmonella* spp.
 - Infectious Laryngotracheitis
- Suspect emerging diseases
 - Congenital defects
 - Equine neurological disease
- Diseases threatening market access
 - Non TSE neurological disease
 - Trichomoniasis
- Suspect food safety or public health issues
 - Asymptomatic exposure to lead
 - *Clostridium difficile*
- Unusual disease presentations
 - Sudden death
 - Gastrointestinal disease

FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES

Information to assist with decisions about public health policy



SERVICES FOR PRODUCERS

- Information about the health status of Alberta's livestock
- Support market access
- Support consumer confidence in Alberta livestock products
- Support veterinarians' response to disease
- Reduce impact of disease on Alberta's livestock industries

Working in partnership with your veterinarian through AVSN will contribute to healthy livestock in Alberta