

Surveillance of Antimicrobial Use and Antimicrobial Resistance in Animals

Country Focus: Uruguay

Species Focus: Cattle

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Primary Stakeholders:

- National Veterinary Services and the [Ministerio de Ganadería Agricultura y Pesca](#) ensuring legislation is in place to enforce surveillance of antimicrobial production, import/export, sales and distribution
- Government veterinarians responsible for monitoring the prescription and use of antimicrobials
- Pharmaceutical Industry partner that supports the control of antimicrobial production, distribution and use

Secondary Stakeholders:

- Farmers or national animal production industry
- Dispensaries
- Wholesalers and retailers

Communication Objective: to showcase a country surveillance of antimicrobial use and antimicrobial resistance in animal populations, prioritizing the capacity of its veterinary and animal health professionals to monitor and report. This can include:

- Interview, photography, videography and information gathering case study details with a national Veterinary Services or Registration Committee stakeholder that is involved in surveillance of antimicrobial use and antimicrobial resistance development in animals.
- Interview, photography, videography and information gathering case study details with a stakeholder from the pharmaceutical industry of antimicrobials who participates in providing information of quantities used in national surveillance activities.
- Interview, photography, videography and information gathering case study details with farmer or national animal production industry representative who has participated in, or supports, national surveillance activities for antimicrobial resistance.
- Wholesalers, retailers, or dispensaries that are ensuring the implementation of national registration of all products, and appropriate sales of antimicrobials with prescription.

Background: The Ministry of Livestock, Agriculture and Fisheries is undertaking the leadership of a National Action Plan for the containment of antimicrobial resistance with an emphasis on animal health and animal production. The National Action Plan includes surveillance activities on the use of antimicrobials and antimicrobial resistance through the Ministerio de Ganadería, Agricultura y Pesca.