



Animal Management: Antibiotic Stewardship

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The facility has permanent, written drug treatment records for the treatment of the facility's common diseases that include: Date of treatment, animal treated identification, name of drug used for treatment, disease/condition being treated, dosage administered, route of administration, frequency of treatment, duration of the treatment, specified withdrawal times for milk and meat to ensure food safety

Rationale

Maintaining consistency of standard from previous versions.
Maintaining permanent, written drug treatment records are required by the FDA and ensure enhanced animal health.

Corrective Action

CIP

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The facility's permanent, written drug treatment records are reviewed by the Veterinarian of Record annually.

Rationale

New proposed standard. Maintaining consistency of standard from previous versions. Veterinarian of Record review of the drug treatment records demonstrates active Veterinarian Client Patient Relationship and participation in treatment plans for herd health.

Corrective Action

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The facility has a written protocol for culling animals that includes the definition of animals that are eligible to be marketed related to fitness to transport and adherence to milk and meat withdrawal times.

Rationale

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Corrective Action

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Individuals with culling responsibilities have been trained annually on written protocol for culling.

Rationale

Maintaining consistency of standard from previous versions. Training individuals with culling responsibilities to a written protocol for culling ensures consistent training to and implementation of the protocol and enhanced milk fitness of animals being culled and potential further reduction of milk and meat residue prevalence.

Corrective Action

MCAP – Employees
CIP - Family

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The facility has a written protocol for transporting animals.

Rationale

Maintaining consistency of standard from previous versions. A written protocol for transportation ensures consistent training to and implementation of the protocol and enhanced animal care during transport.

Corrective Action

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Corrective Action

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The facility adheres to all withdrawal times for milk. All milk samples have tested negative for antibiotics in the last three years.

Rationale

Maintaining consistency of standard from previous versions. Adhering to milk withdrawal times ensures milk safety.

Corrective Action

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The facility adheres to all withdrawal times meat. All meat tissues from animals sent for meat production have tested negative for violative residues in the last three years.

Rationale

Maintaining consistency of standard from previous versions. Adhering to meat withdrawal times ensures meat safety.

Corrective Action

None