

**BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ERADICATION PROGRAM**

- I. Review of Investigations
  - A. Investigations in progress and investigations completed.
    - 1. 6-35 - Report of Suspicious lesions or Thoracic granulomas on Regular Slaughter Inspection
    - 2. 604A - Report of Investigation for Tuberculosis (source herds)
    - 3. 6-4B - Report of Investigation for tuberculosis (exposed herds)
    - 4. Adjacent, contact, and area herds
  - B. Infected herd individual herd plan and progress
  - C. Examine records and interview VMOs and epidemiologists
- II. Tuberculosis Surveillance:
  - A. Slaughter surveillance
    - 1. Suspicious tuberculosis specimen submissions by establishment
    - 2. 1D collection and submission with specimen
      - a. 6-35 Report
      - b. 4-54 Report - Record of blood samples at markets and slaughtering establishments
      - c. Reports of VMO and AIC visits at slaughtering establishments
      - d. Review team (AIC or VMO) visit one or more establishments (high submitter, low submitter)
      - e. Interview directors; State Meat Inspection, FSIS
      - f. Review station policy/awareness/procedures regarding VS-FSIS contacts improving slaughter surveillance
  - B. Laboratory
    - 1. Save and record ID devices on 6-35 slaughter lot or entire days' slaughter, and reporting
    - 2. Review in -vitro tests conducted as apply
  - C. Testing
    - 1. Routine tuberculin testing surveillance by accredited veterinarian, and high risk testing by Federal/State VMOs
      - a. TIMS 110 Report - lists all testing, including herds with suspects reported and number of suspects report
      - b. Area office efforts toward improving testing and reporting by accredited veterinarians and VMO's
    - 2. Training

- a. VMOs, State and Federal personnel trained in tuberculosis testing and follow-up procedures, including comparative cervical test
  - b. VMOs participation at national, regional, or area tuberculosis training courses
  - c. Training courses or other information materials offered to accredited veterinarians regarding testing and reporting
  - d. VMOs trained for testing cervidae
  - e. VMOs trained for testing camelids
- III. Animal identification, dealer registration and record keeping requirements
1. Subject regulations (according to the Bovine Tuberculosis Uniform Methods and Rules) in place, and compliance
  2. Identification procedures in place statewide
  3. Visit one or more livestock auction
- IV. Program records and reporting
1. Maintenance of updated program memoranda, notices, directives
  2. Program records and reporting
    - a. 6-22, 6-22a, 6-35, 6-35a, 6-35b, 6-4A, 6-4B
    - b. VS 6-2, Quarterly Report of Tuberculosis Activities
    - c. VS-6-38, Annual Report of Surveillance for Tuberculosis
    - d. Indemnity and related
- V. Computer (TIMS) recording and reporting ?
- VI. Other
1. Tuberculin storage, ordering, dispensing, reporting
  2. Reporting forms, equipment, supplies, inventory control
  3. Pending list - access to program records
- VII. General Perceptions
- A. Quality of investigations, testing and follow-up procedures
  - B. Depth/concern of program leadership and direction
  - C. Cooperative interaction with State Animal Health, Wildlife Resources, Public Health
  - D. Cooperative interactions with FSIS at higher administrative levels
  - E. Industry responsiveness and support
  - F. Cooperative interaction with accredited veterinarians

G. Compliance with restricted animal control, herd quarantine, postmortem examinations and tissue handling