## RESPONSIBLE USE OF VETERINARY PRODUCTS



The Canadian Pork Council's Vaccine and Drug Use Policy reflects the pork industry's commitment to the responsible use of veterinary products.

When choosing how to treat their animals, producers may need to consult their veterinarian. The CPC's Vaccine and Drug Use Policy recommends choosing the first available level from the cascade below.

> Approved Veterinary Products for Swine Labelled for Pigs

> Approved Veterinary Products for Swine Extra-Label Drug Use (ELDU)

Veterinary Products Approved for Canadian Food Animals Extra-Label Drug Use (ELDU)

API - Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient Compounded Product that meets Health Canada's Regulations

The following are STRICTLY PROHIBITED for farms registered in CQA or PigSAFE|PigCARE programs:

- The use of Category I antibiotics for prevention.
- The use of Category I, II and III antibiotics for growth promotion.
- The use of Health Canada's Category 1 antimicrobials as an API.

APPROVED VETERINARY PRODUCTS in Canada will have a Drug Identification Number (DIN).

**EXTRA-LABEL DRUG USE** refers to drugs administered differently than directions on the label. These differences may include:

- Purpose of treatment
- Species
- Age, or stage of production
- Dosage
- Duration, or frequency of treatment
- Method of administration

## EXTRA-LABEL DRUG USE IS PERMITTED.

A veterinarian must consult with CgFARAD to establish a withdrawal period prior to using a drug in an extra label manner.

**COMPOUNDING** is the combining of two or more ingredients, at least one of which is a drug or active ingredient, to create a product in a form appropriate for dosing. Compounding is regulated at the provincial level and **only pharmacists and other practitioners** (such as veterinarians and doctors) are permitted to compound products.

Mixing two or more medications in a syringe for delivery to animals is a form of compounding. Producers are not allowed to do it.

Producer's implementation of the Vaccine and Drug Use Policy will be assessed during the validation process for CQA and PigSAFE | PigCARE programs starting in January 2019.



## **LEARN MORE:**

CPC's Vaccine and Drug Use Policy www.cpc-ccp.com/drug-use-policy