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Outline

• Reminder of OIE mandate and structure

• OIE’s 6th strategic plan

• Overview of Canada’s engagement with the OIE

• Plans for PVS evaluation in Canada

• Conference of the OIE Regional Commission for the Americas

• OIE strategy on AMR and prudent use of antimicrobials
THE FOUR PILLARS OF THE OIE

Improving animal health and welfare worldwide

STANDARDS
for international trade of animals and animal products

under the mandate given by the WTO

TRANSPARENCY
of the world animal disease situation

including zoonoses

EXPERTISE
Collection and dissemination of veterinary scientific information

animal disease prevention and control methods

SOLIDARITY
between countries to strengthen capacities worldwide

Capacity building tools and programmes
OIE Governance structure

Those in red boxes are elected by the World Assembly of Delegates - last election held in May, 2015
6TH STRATEGIC PLAN 2016-2020

Reinforcing trust through TRANSPARENCY and communication

we are
Spreading scientific and technical knowledge by:
- Providing technical Veterinary expertise
- Collecting and disseminating disease data notified by Member Countries

we will
- Improve governance to strengthen science and expert roles
- Share our expert data analysis through WAHIS*
- Modernise our external communication tools

Improving animal health and welfare by appropriate RISK MANAGEMENT

we are
Developing science-based guidelines and standards to address:
- Antimicrobials use and alternatives
- Global disease control and eradication
- Biothreat reduction
- Climate change and biodiversity

we will
- Incorporate social, economic and environmental sciences
- Further implement the One Health concept
- Enhance countries’ official disease status recognition
- Take into account new technologies

Supporting and strengthening VETERINARY SERVICES at the front lines of public health

we are
- Addressing human-animal health emergencies with partners
- Enhancing global governance of animal health systems
- Improving capacities of Veterinary Services in Member Countries

we will
- Highlight benefits brought by sustainable Veterinary Services
- Adapt our capacity-building programmes to fit local contexts
- Further improve the quality of Veterinary Services through the PVS Pathway*

*OIE Programme to improve the performance of Veterinary Services

Excellence

- SCIENCE: quality, objectivity, knowledge transfer, new technologies, timeliness
- Expert groups, Reference Centres, Specialist Commissions

Engagement

- diversity and selection, next generation scientists

Management

- roles and responsibilities, regional adaptations, financial resources, partnerships
Overview of Canada’s engagement in the OIE

- Canada contributes standards setting review adoption at OIE General Session
  - 2 year cycle with 2 comment periods /year in January and August
- Governance
  - Secretary General of the Regional Commission for the Americas
  - Chair, OIE World Fund
- Scientific expertise to develop standards
  - Specialist Commissions- Aquatic Animal Health Commission
  - Working Groups- Food Safety and Animal Production, Wildlife, Animal Welfare
  - Ad hoc Groups – FMD, BSE, AMR, Veterinary paraprofessionals plus others
- 13 Reference Laboratories/Collaborating Centres
## Canadian OIE Focal Points

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Projects and activities

• Laboratory Twinning
  • Winnipeg Lab & Colombia - AI and Newcastle
  • Lethbridge Lab & Cuba - BSE
  • Fallowfield Lab & Peru - Rabies and TSEs

• Veterinary Education Twinning
  • University of PEI & Austral University, Chile - Veterinary Education in Aquatic Animal Health

• Hosting and participating in OIE Focal Point training
  • Wildlife- Guelph, March, 2014
  • Veterinary Biologics- Ottawa, August, 2014
One Health Workshop in Costa Rica, March, 2016
Performance of Veterinary Services Evaluation in Canada - March, 2017

The OIE PVS Pathway

« Treatment »
Capacity Building, Specific Activities, Projects and Programs

Veterinary Legislation

« Diagnosis »
PVS Evaluation

« Prescription »
PVS Gap Analysis

Public / Private Partnerships

including Veterinary Services’ Strategic Priorities

Veterinary Education

Laboratories

PVS Pathway Follow-Up Missions

The OIE collaborates with governments, donors and other stakeholders
Improvements resulting from PVS Evaluation missions

- Understanding of strengths weaknesses of VS
- Clearer picture of the needs of VS
- Understanding of OIE standards on VS
- New laws/regulations initiated
- Physical infrastructure improvements
- Increase in staff numbers of official VS
- Increased training opportunities
- Communication with interested parties in the private sector
- Expansion of VS activities
- Communication with ministries and government agencies

Rating of improvement 1= very little, 5= maximum value
• Bi-annual meeting of the 30 countries of the Americas region

• Key presentations on:
  • Implementation of animal tracability systems in the Americas
  • Highly pathogenic Avian Influenza: challenges encountered and measures for preventing its spread
  • Americas contribution to the global foot and mouth disease control strategy
  • Antimicrobial resistance: Contribution of the Americas
  • Depopulation and/or movement of animal populations during animal health emergencies and natural disasters: Experience in the region
  • The OIE PVS Pathway- plans for the future
OIE Strategy on Antimicrobial Resistance and Prudent Use

- Launched Nov. 18, 2016
- Builds on Global Action Plan
- 4 objectives:
  - Improve awareness and understanding
  - Strengthen knowledge through surveillance and research
  - Support good governance and capacity building
  - Encourage implementation of international standards
- Outlines OIE’s work plan for each objective
Concluding remarks

- Canada is actively engaged with the OIE in many areas

- Committed to the implementation of the international standards and contribution to scientific expertise to ensure the quality of the standards
  - Arrangements signed on margins of 2016 OIE General Session for i) FMD vaccine sharing, ii) Zoning during outbreaks, iii) International Animal Health Emergency Reserve

- We take a lead role in promoting transparency and working with the international community to protect animal health and welfare
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