



NFAHW Council – update to stakeholders

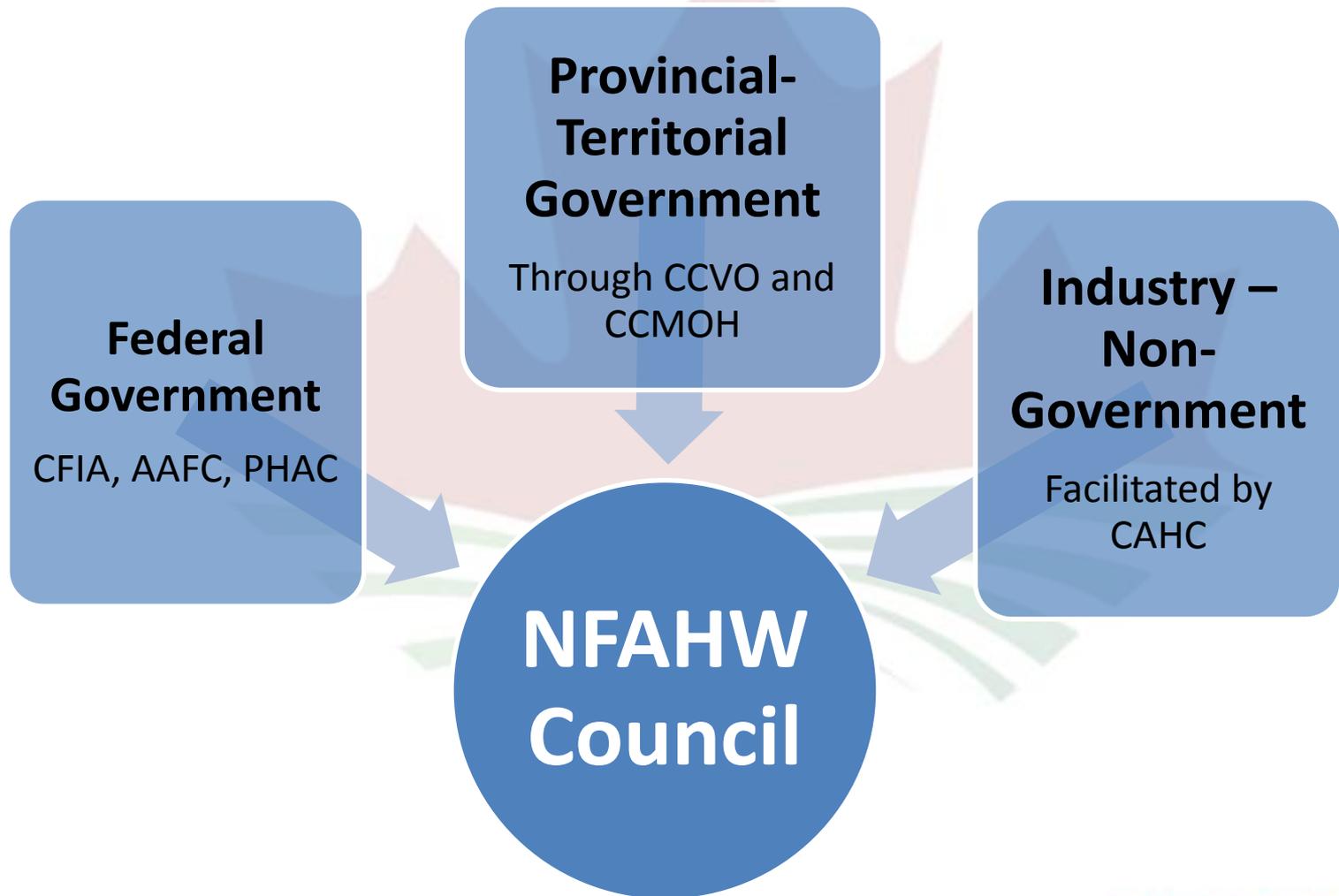
Forum 2017

Vision

“Canada values and supports the health, care and welfare of the farmed animal population and its contribution to the well-being people, the environment and the Canadian economy.”

Farmed Animal Health
and Welfare 2020
(2014)

Collaborative, One Health Approach



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November 2017

Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020

Provides strategic direction and priorities for stakeholders to 2020

Priorities

- Emergency Management
- Social License
- Leadership development

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Strategic outcomes

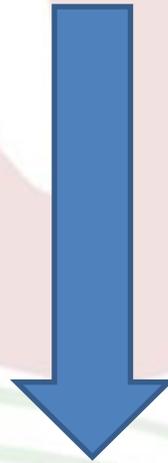
- Safe food products are accessible to Canadians
- Canada protects the health of farmed animals, people and the ecosystem (One Health)
- The Canadian farmed animal industry is profitable and sustainable
- Canada protects the welfare of farmed animals
- The Canadian farmed animal health and welfare system is trusted world wide
- The Canadian farmed animal health and welfare system is coordinated and constantly improved.

Change mechanisms

- **Sharing information** in Council discussion affects individual actions
- **Advice** to Reg ADMs and stakeholders – identifying lead roles where possible
- **A cascading initiative** at Council from advice
- **Facilitator or catalyst** for change

Implementation

Recommendations on Key Issues



Implementation
by stakeholders

Progress on strategic outcomes and priorities
of Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020

NFAHW Council

AMU/AMR

Emerging Issues

Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020

One Welfare

Animal Welfare

Finance, Communications and Management Committees

Invited external participation to expand expertise and knowledge as required

2017 Working Groups and Committees

FPT Regulatory ADMs of Agriculture

- Sub-Committee of the Reg ADM committee
- Regularly report to the Reg ADM Committee
- Annually align our work plan with the Reg ADM priorities
- Participated in a joint FPT Reg and Policy ADM meeting this year
- Contributed to the Reg ADM Committee strategic planning

Working Groups

- Individual working groups will provide updates on their activities.
- For Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020, Dr. Jeffrey Spooner will report on further development of a report of progress on the priorities and strategic outcomes of FAHW2020.

AMU/AMR WG



Council reports – AMU/AMR

Three reports developed

- Antimicrobial Resistance and Antimicrobial Use Initiatives in Humans and Animals in Canada - 2012
- Antimicrobial Use and Antimicrobial Resistance - Strategies for Animal Agriculture - 2014
- **Antimicrobial Stewardship in Food Animals in Canada - 2016**

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Focus

Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Includes Infection Prevention and Control
- Recognizes the need for Surveillance and Innovation to be successful

Outcome

- Antimicrobial Stewardship in Food Animals in Canada published in 2016 is the reference document.
- Utilized in pan-Canadian AMR Framework development
- WG presented to the Stewardship Task Team
- Called to witness at the Commons' Standing Committee on Health – November 2017

AMU/AMR Next Steps

- Develop leadership role for Council on AMR
- Collectively advance AMR initiatives in collaboration with the commodity groups and veterinary groups
- Review, revise, emphasize and prioritize recommendations in Antimicrobial Stewardship in Food Animals in Canada

One Welfare



One Welfare

As a concept “One Welfare” is a call to recognize the many social interconnections between human welfare, animal welfare and the integrity of the environment. In practice, it is also a call for a coordinated program of action:

- to improve animal welfare in order to improve human welfare (and vice versa),
- to co-ordinate actions between animal protection and other services, and
- to protect the environment as a fundamental step for both human and animal welfare.

One Welfare

- Council interest and study began with participation in the International One Welfare Conference in Winnipeg in 2016
- Further study included:
 - Existing programs/projects in Canada
 - Some international activities
 - The needs of producers, farm staff, service providers and veterinary personnel in the agriculture community were considered
 - Non-exceptional operating conditions

**Interim report on One Welfare is available on line and
at registration**

Key Factors Identified

- Open discussion on mental wellness in agriculture is required
- Local capacity for identification and response needs to be developed
- Existing services should be adapted to agriculture needs and integrated into response
- Further research and study is needed

Identified Actions

- Development of a cross-jurisdictional and multi-stakeholder leadership group to enhance communications, education, and support services
- Communication and education programs address the wellbeing of producers, farm staff, service providers and veterinary personnel working in agriculture
- Support of research and knowledge translation that is focused more specifically for agriculture
- Dialogue across all stakeholders in the agricultural industry to understand means of normalizing the importance of personal wellbeing

Emerging Issues



Potential project

Together with LMIS members responsible for humane destruction and disposal proposed a joint project to investigate with slaughter plants the key issues to be discussed to gain access to slaughter plants when:

- Mass humane destruction and disposal is required
- An emerging disease situation is disrupting market access

Animal Welfare



Management of Cull Dairy Cows

- Advisory statement with 19 recommendations
- Follow-up actions underway

Animal Welfare Law

- Summary of provincial, territorial and federal law
- Recommendations

National Animal Welfare System

- 2012 Advisory statement:
 - 22 recommendations
- Follow-up study by Jeffrey Spooner
- New strategy document planned for 2018

Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020 (FAHW2020)



Progress since the last update

2017 Pilot Interviews:

- Canadian Animal Health Institute
- Canadian Association of Bovine Veterinarians
- Canadian Association of Swine Veterinarians
- Canadian Federation of Humane Societies
- Canadian Hatching Egg Producers
- Chicken Farmers of Alberta
- Manitoba Pork Producers
- Ontario Sheep Marketing Agency
- Turkey Farmers of Canada

Progress since the last update

- All “2020” related activities reported during both pilot phases were organized according to the *Strategic Outcomes* and *5-Year Priorities* of the strategy
- An early concept for an eventual report was drafted and reviewed by the Working Group and Council

Goals for the FAHW 2020 reports

- Showcase an extensive range of reported activities
- Enable contributors to share and learn from one another
- Utilize an engaging format offering a variety of presentation styles
- Make reports concise, interactive, and highly accessible (e.g., convey 'good stories', provide links to more info, avoid jargon)
- Publish interim reports to stimulate successive contributions and reflect progress

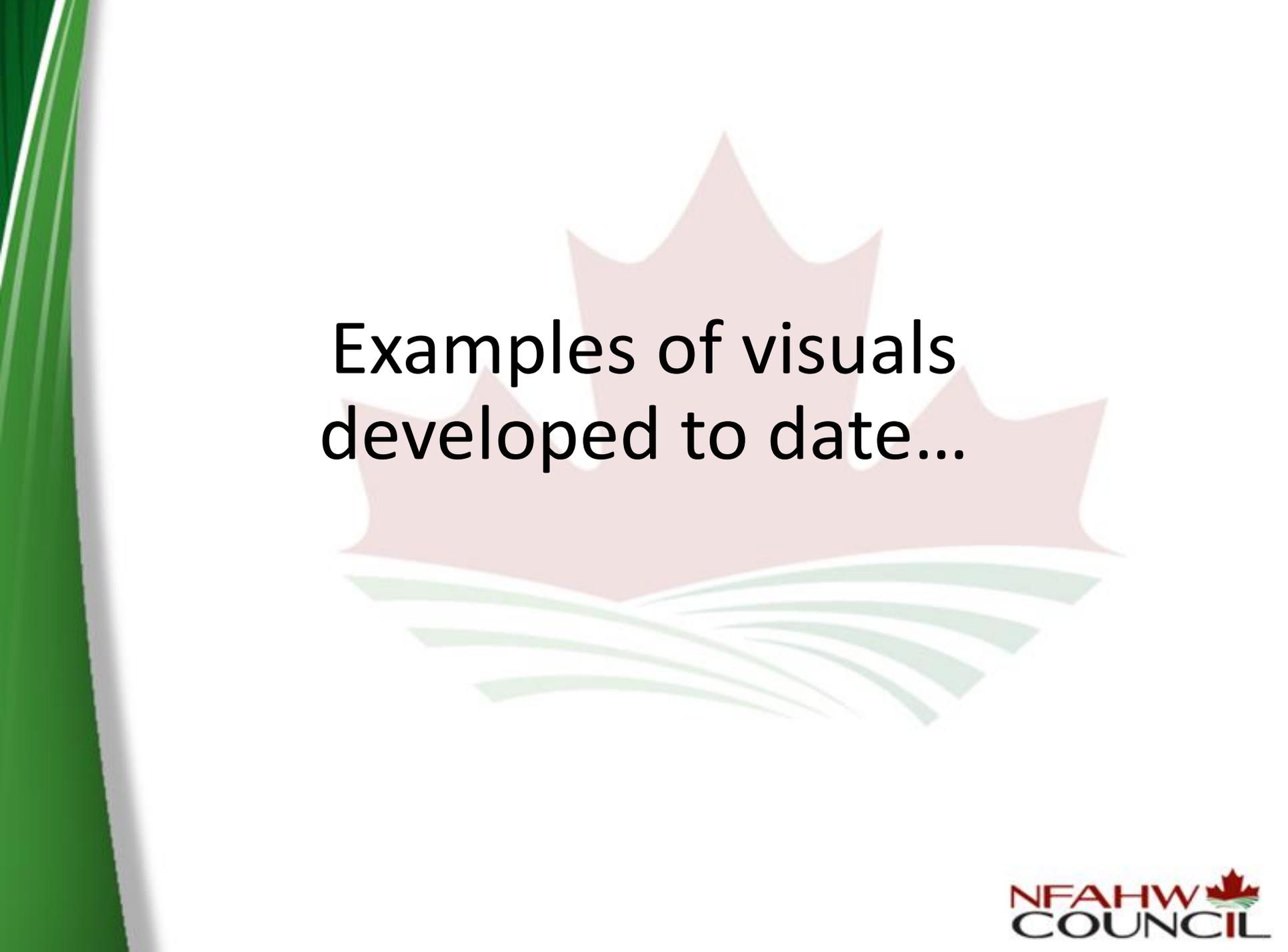
General outline for the reports

- Organize according to “2020” priorities and strategic outcomes
- Include a general introduction per section (i.e., reflecting collective activities)
- Showcase unique/innovative activities and collectively representative examples
- Use a variety of presentation techniques:
 - Short articles plus Q & A’s
 - Visuals (e.g., charts, diagrams, tables)
 - Bullet point lists featuring major achievements
 - Quotes from contributors

Building and Maintaining Public Confidence

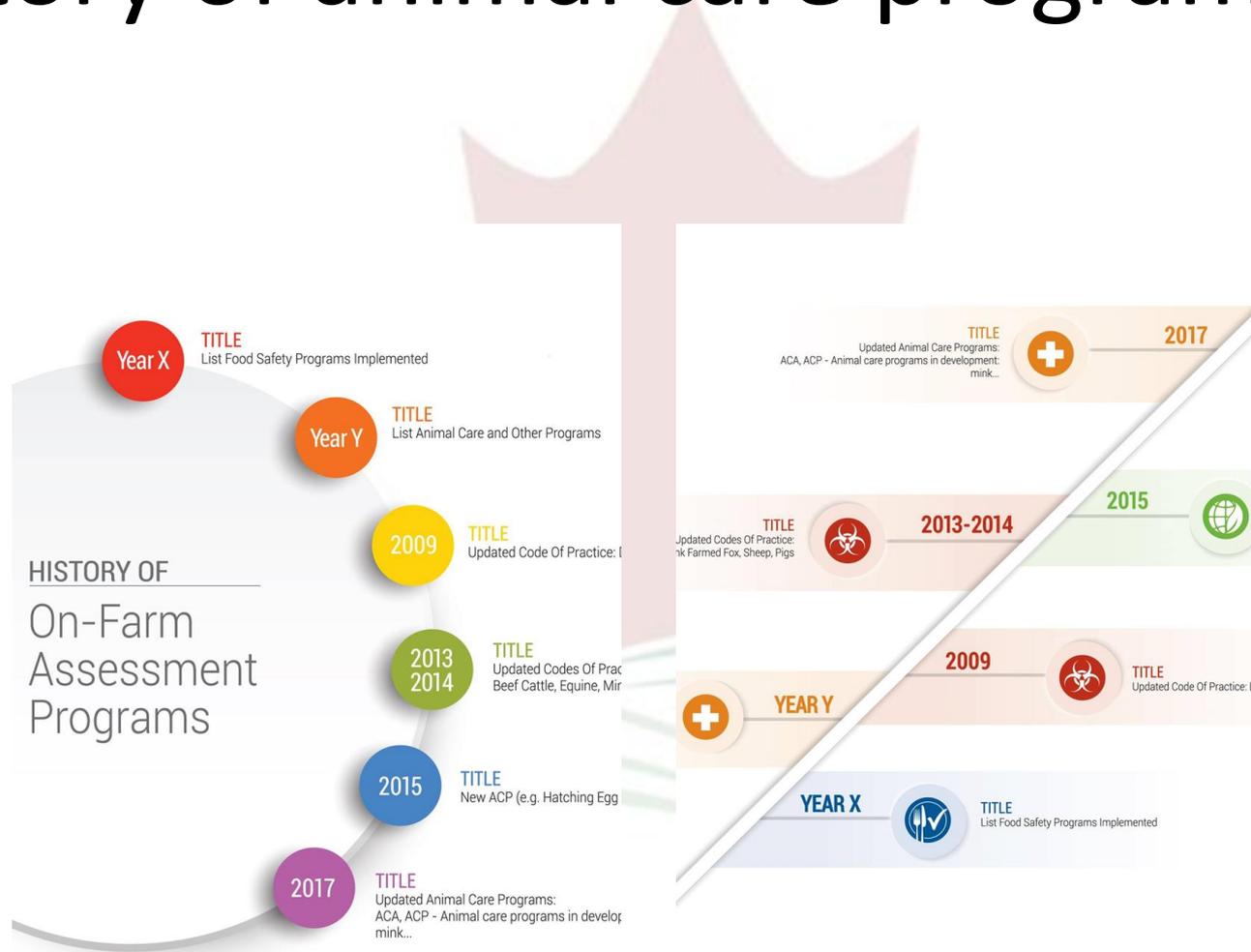
Example Activities

- Food safety stream
- Animal health stream
- Animal welfare stream
- Building blocks to One Health/Welfare

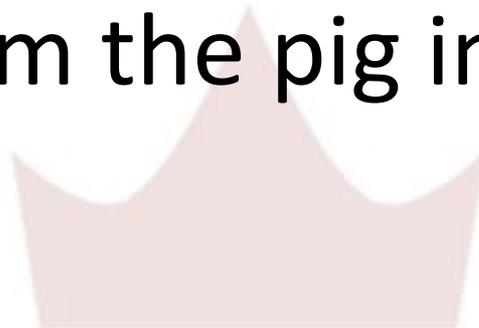


Examples of visuals
developed to date...

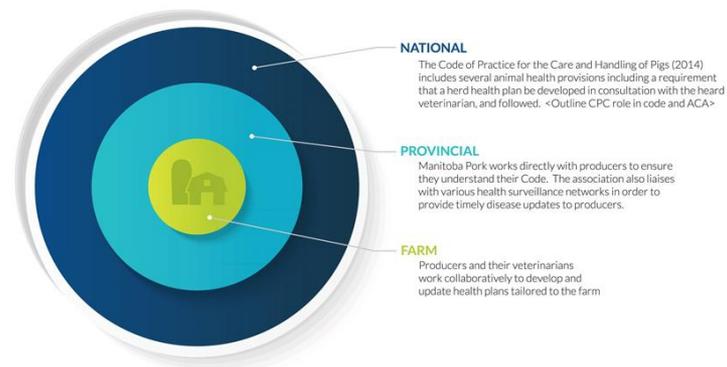
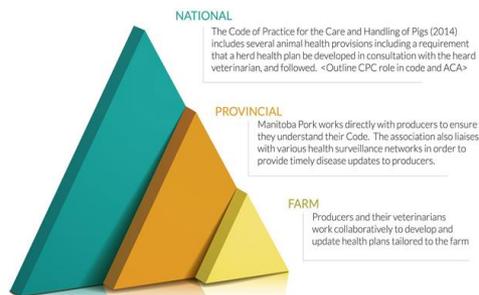
History of animal care programs



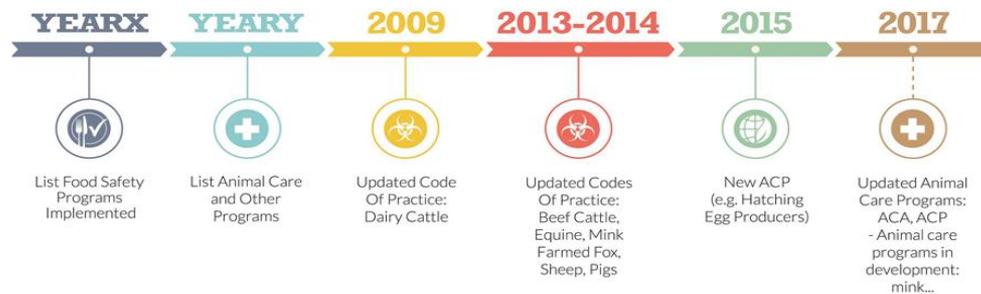
From policy to practice: a case example from the pig industry



FROM POLICY TO PRACTICE: A CASE EXAMPLE FROM THE PIG INDUSTRY



Timeline Showing QA programs and impact on specific areas



Icons represent:

- Food Safety
- Biosecurity
- Environment
- Animal Care

- Each year a different colour
- Show completed programs with solid line; show programs in development with hatched line
- Use of icons for categories



Building blocks to One Health

- Spotlight on...
 - Development of research priorities that fall under the One Health umbrella
 - Environment and socio-economic Life Cycle Assessments
 - Sustainability roundtables
 - Veterinarian health and wellness resources



Next Steps

Plan and implement the next engagement process:

- Invite input on some (not all) priorities and outcomes at a time
- Avoid exceedingly broad/general questions
- Avoid questions likely to invite or require repeated contributions
- Encourage respondents to consider/include a wide range of activities

Concepts for future engagements

- Automate responses, wherever appropriate
- Display history of prior contributions enabling participants to simply update with new activities and achievements

Thank you!



Stakeholder Communications

- Website - www.ahwcouncil.ca
 - Annual report
 - Audited Financial reports
 - All advisory statements
 - Meeting schedule
 - Contact information
- Newsletters after meetings
- Presentations
- Annual Forum

Thank you

The Council thanks all individuals and organizations who have contributed through:

- Financial and in-kind contributions
- Participation in working groups
- Further distribution of Council communications
- Participating in Council activities
- Commitment to a collaborative approach



Questions?