

ANIMAL INDUSTRY BUREAU

2022 Winter Newsletter

Happy Holidays

US Swine Health Improvement Plan (US SHIP)

Visit our website to learn more about US SHIP a producer-driven national program working to establish consistent health standards that serve as a platform for control of foreign animal diseases (FAD) of high consequence like African swine fever (ASF) and classical swine fever (CSF). There may be benefits for the control of endemic diseases.

[SHIP | Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship \(iowaagriculture.gov\)](https://iowaagriculture.gov)

RFID (Radio Frequency Identification Device) Tags available for veterinarians at no cost!

The USDA is continuing to provide states with official white "840" RFID button tags and orange "840" calfhood vaccination (OCV) button tags for cattle.

A Premises ID is required to order these tags. If the clinic does not have a Premises ID, they will need to complete a Premises Application which can be found on our website:

https://iowaagriculture.gov/sites/default/files/animal-industry/pdf/Final-Premises%20Application_12.3.2021.pdf

For more information contact Dee Clausen at 515-281-8236 or e-mail delores.clausen@iowaagriculture.gov

Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and USDA APHIS Confirm Cases of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza.

For additional information on HPAI, please visit <https://iowaagriculture.gov/animal-industry-bureau/avian-influenza>.

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/avian/avian-influenza/2022-hpai>
iowaagriculture.gov/animal-industry-bureau



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IMPORTANT DATES:

State Holidays

Friday before Christmas -
December 23

Christmas Day - Monday,
December 26

New Year's Day - Monday,
January 2

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s
Birthday - Monday, January 16

Memorial Day - Monday, May
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- **Licensure and Registration Renewals 2023 is the renewal year for the veterinary licenses and veterinary technician registrations. The renewal notices will be mailed to the last known address on file. Please make sure to update your address with the Board Office.**



Biosecurity Basics

The best ways to protect your animals, including both pets and livestock, is to practice good biosecurity. Biosecurity refers to the steps taken to prevent the introduction and/or spread of harmful organisms (including viruses, bacteria, etc.) to animals and people to minimize the spread of infectious or zoonotic disease. These measures include taking steps to reduce the risk of an infectious or zoonotic disease being brought onto your property as well as leaving your property in the case of an outbreak. Here are 5 general steps producers can follow to help ensure good biosecurity:

[Biosecurity Basics 2022](#)

Cervid Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance Identification (CCWDSI) Program

Learn about CWD and the CCWDSI Program with a free, online course for producers and veterinarians.

Veterinary course is RACE approved for 2 CE credits!

Access the courses by visiting [Introduction to Iowa's Farmed Cervid CWD Program](#).