



215 Tools & Checklists

SHAWG - Industry guidance document for veterinary surgeons and farmers on responsible use of antibiotics in sheep

by The Sheep Health and Welfare Group (SHAWG)

In Significant Impact Groups:

AMU reduction strategies \

Species targeted: Sheep;

Age:

Summary:

The SHAWG guidance document has been written to outline the key steps in ensuring veterinary surgeons and farmers work together to review and achieve responsible use of antibiotics within the sheep flock. Examination of antibiotic use in the sheep sector, identified the following three areas of concern with regards to prescribing practices for sheep. In some cases these involved whole flock prophylactic treatment for these three specific disease management areas: control of infectious lameness, prevention of enzootic abortion and treatment of lambs against neonatal bacterial infections. The primary recommendations are that, in order to replace, refine and reduce antibiotics in these target areas, vets and sheep farmers should work to plan ahead, prevent disease and protect their flocks.

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Where to find the original material:

http://beefandlamb.ahdb.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Responsible-AMU-guidance-for-sheep_Version-1.0_June-2019.pdf;

Country: United Kingdom;