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Reshaping Veterinary Products Focal Point Training Seminar: A new Concept

- What have we achieved since inception in 2010?
- Expected Future outcomes in the medium term (3 years)
- Contribution of FPs on progressive changes in the medium-term period

Achievements from 2010

- **Improved quality of veterinary products:** fight against falsified and substandard products with collaboration of World Customs Organization, **provided** a manual of how to set up a Pharmacovigilance system for veterinary medicinal products in the frame of the public-private partnership. <https://www.woah.org/app/uploads/2023/02/af-bookfarmavet-v90223-ang.pdf>
- **Tackling antiparasitic resistance:** setting an electronic expert group with geographical balance with the speakers nominated by the five Regions, with the publication of the document “[Responsible and prudent use of anthelmintic chemicals to help control anthelmintic resistance in grazing livestock species](#)” in December 2021

Achievements from 2010

How to set up a pharmacovigilance system for veterinary medicinal products



**Responsible and prudent use of
anthelmintic chemicals to help
control anthelmintic resistance
in grazing livestock species**

Achievements from 2010

- Harmonisation of technical requirements (VICH related issues) and regulatory convergence / harmonisation: increased number of Members of VICH Outreach Forum (i.e. Zambia, Botswana and SADC, EAC),
- Collaboration with Veterinary Medicine Directorate (UKVMD) increased regulatory harmonisation convergence in Africa.

Achievements from 2010

Global database on antimicrobial use in animals: Launched ANIMUSE (for ANImal antiMicrobial USE) in 2022- the new online platform on antimicrobial agents intended for use in animals. www.woah.org/en/article/animuse-monitoring-antimicrobial-use-in-animals/

Performance of Veterinary Services Pathway Tool (PVS Tool 2019)-AMR critical competence: allows countries to assess country capacity to implement AMR-NAPs. The report provides guidance on country strengths, areas for targeted support, improvement, and investment. <https://www.woah.org/app/uploads/2021/03/2019-pvs-tool-final.pdf>

AMR communication tools and resources: WOAHA AMR awareness AMR communication and advocacy materials foster understanding of AMR risks and encourage the adoption of measures that slow its spread. <https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-do/global-initiatives/antimicrobial-resistance/#ui-id-5>

Achievements from 2010

Contributing to the fight against AMR: WOAHA Standards and guidelines provide a framework for responsible and prudent use of antimicrobial products in animals, and for surveillance of use of antimicrobials and antimicrobial resistance.

<https://www.woah.org/app/uploads/2021/03/en-amr-strategy-final.pdf>

Supporting countries for development and implementation of One Health AMR-NAPs: WOAHA supports veterinary services by building their capacity to develop and implement One Health AMR-NAPs

One Health Legislative assessment for implementation of AMR-NAPs: Together with FAO and WHO, WOAHA supports countries to develop and modernize legislation highlighting the importance of joint and coordinated action across relevant sectors in designing regulatory responses to prevent and curb AMR

Expected Future outcomes in the medium term (3 years)

Identified prioritized needs on the African Region based on the discussion with the Regional Representations 29/08/2022:

1. **Capacity building of Laboratories** concerning and Antiparasitic focus on trypanosome, and other parasitic (1)
2. **Harmonisation** (Reg an Tech. aspects) Improve and harmonize Legislation(s) African Agency of Medicines (2)
3. **Pharmacovigilance** (3)

Expected Future outcomes in the medium term (3 years)

The objectives and the outcomes of the new concept :

- To revisit the FPs for VPs by building more tailored and complementary program
- To develop sustainable actions in the field
- To develop and implement WOAHA standard aligned policies with the main objective and outcome
- Promoting access to quality assured, safe and efficient veterinary products: vaccines, pharmaceuticals (including antimicrobials), and diagnostic kits.

Expected Future outcomes in the medium term (3 years)

Identified prioritized needs on the African Region based on the discussion with the Regional Representations 29/08/2023:

- Draft Action plan prepared on outcomes that we would like to discuss with you , for example on 3 main areas :
- **Focus on improve access** to safe and effective veterinary medicinal products in Africa
- **Focus on reduce burden** and loss caused by parasitic disease (including trypanosomes) and tackle antiparasitic resistance
- **Focus on reduce** Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

Expected Future outcomes in the medium term (3 years)

Draft Action Plan/ **DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS**

- [Draft Recommendations](#) in details
- For discussion and adoption during the seminars

Contribution of FPs on progressive changes in the medium-term period

- For example, **implementation** of the :
- Implement guidance from publication on anthelmintics (https://bulletin.woah.org/?official=08-1-3-2022-1_anthelmintic) – **Start to implement one new recommendation or responsibility from the guidance**, “Responsible and prudent use of anthelmintic chemicals to help control anthelmintic resistance in grazing livestock species” wholly or partially .
- Increase laboratory capacity for diagnosis of parasitic disease and antiparasitic agent susceptibility/resistance, including trypanosomes
- Improve the existing PHV system and collaborate with other Members, set up a PHV system
- Continue to tackle falsified and substandard veterinary medicines
- Increase the number of countries in the African region with robust implemented National Action Plans (NAP), provide data and use it in your country on antimicrobials agents

Contribution of FPs on progressive changes in the medium-term period

- **Discussion** with your respective Delegate: what can be done on country level, what additional recourses, support you need or how the current resources can be used for implementations
- **Collaborate** with other Focal Points what can be done with **joint efforts, bilateral or multilateral cooperation**
- **Explore** the opportunity to discover what can be done within **the public private partnership, with academia, research institutes**
- **Share** your plan and discuss it with your Sub-Region, Regional Colleagues and with us WOA-HQ
- **Create** a Focal Points of Network for regular exchanges – that might WOA-HQ could assist with the Regional , Subregional Representations

“If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

-African Proverb-



Thank you !

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