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Pathway

PVS Laboratory Mission: Uganda's Country Experience

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- In 2015, Uganda undertook the PVS laboratory mission
- Aimed to identify strengthen and gaps to guide system wide reforms
- Enhanced surveillance, diagnosis and response capacities for TADS, Zoonotic diseases and food safety concerns
- Identified gaps in infrastructure, staffing, quality assurance and information systems

- Recommended strategies for improving national laboratory diagnostic capacity
- Enhanced laboratory testing capacity under national animal health programs
- Leverage disease control programs (e.g. brucellosis) to drive laboratory utilization and sustainability
- Strengthening national laboratory network









Implementation of PVS laboratory mission recommendation





Prioritization of Laboratory system strengthening in Uganda

Making history: Uganda's veterinary labs achieve international accreditation

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Reflections







- The mission provided an objective, structured analysis of Uganda's veterinary laboratory system
- National buy-in is very critical for implementing PVS recommendations
- Recommend follow-up technician support to sustain the momentum
- Strategic laboratory twinning programs to foster collaborations for lab system strengthening

- Encourage regional collaboration and experience sharing
- Strongly recommend PVS mission to other Member Countries seeking lab system strengthening





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