

# OPTIMIZING VACCINATIONS ON YOUR OPERATION

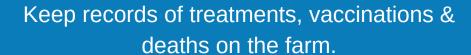
Vaccines help prevent disease and are part of a comprehensive biosecurity program. Below are steps you can take to optimize the use of vaccines on your farm.



## **TALK TO YOUR VET**

Work with your veterinarian to develop a herd health program including vaccination protocols that work for your livestock. Consult with your vet when bringing new animals into your operation.

## **KEEP RECORDS**







# **STORE CORRECTLY**

Store at the labelled temperatures and use live vaccines within 1-2 hours of mixing. Otherwise vaccine effectiveness may suffer. Do NOT expose the vaccine to extreme temperatures or expose light-sensitive vaccines to sunlight.

### **NEEDLE USE**

Every animal should be vaccinated with a clean needle. If reusing needles, frequently change them, as needles become dull.

Reusing needles does pose a biosecurity risk.





### **AS DIRECTED**

Give as directed on the vaccine insert or by prescription from your vet. Be sure to administer boosters on time.



Find a veterinarian near you on the Alberta Veterinary Medical Association website







