

Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Animal Health National Program Assessment Evaluation Form

Welcome to the ARS Animal Health National Program Assessment Survey. We really appreciate you taking the time to take this survey. ARS conducts National Program Assessments every five-years, so your input is extremely important to our program's accountability. ARS is charged with extending the Nation's scientific knowledge with research projects in agriculture, human nutrition, food safety, natural resources, the environment, and other topics affecting the Nation. Research projects at the ARS are managed within 22 national programs. Animal Health is one of those national programs. Your response to this survey will allow ARS to assess the progress and impact of our animal health research program and provide input for future modifications as we prepare for the next 5-year cycle of research. If you would like more information on our other national programs, please visit our web site at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/research/programs.htm>.

For the purpose of this assessment, impact is defined as research that has or will significantly influence the field of science (e.g., animal health), create economic opportunities for producers and farmers, or enable action and regulatory agencies to formulate policies and regulations to support American agriculture.

The results of this survey will be presented at our stakeholder's workshop in March, 2010, location to be determined.

There are 14 questions and the survey should take about 15 minutes to complete. The information you provide will be kept strictly confidential by our Office of the Chief Information Officer by separating the data from any identifying characteristics. Please note there are required fields on this survey. In order for the results to provide targeted information, the survey will remind you to fill in these fields, if you skip them. At the end of the survey you will have a chance to add comments on matters of concern to you that may not be asked specifically in the survey.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0518-0042. The time required to complete this information is estimated at 15 minutes per response due to the averaging of check boxes and test fields.

- Producer or Farmer
- Private sector; e.g., Pharmaceutical
- Trade association
- Scientific association
- Federal government agency
- State government agency
- University
- Consultant
- Other

Q2. Please identify your organization (e.g., U. of Minnesota)

Type your answer below:

Q3. How would you rate the overall impact the ARS Animal Health National Program has had in the last five years?

- Very large impact
- Large impact
- Some impact
- Very little impact
- No impact at all

- Beef
 - Feedlot
 - Cow-calf
 - Stocker

- Dairy
- Poultry
 - Broilers
 - Layers
 - Turkeys
- Sheep and goats
- Pork
 - Farrowing
 - Farrow to finish
 - Finishing
- Wildlife/Captive game species
- General animal agriculture
- Other, please specify (e.g., ducks):

Q5. Please indicate the five most important diseases for the commodity you work with most frequently:

Drop down menu (see attachment 1)

Other diseases:

Q6. Please rate the impact the ARS Animal Health National Program has had in the commodity area you work with most frequently, for example, Poultry:

- Very large impact
- Large impact

- Some impact
- Very little impact
- No impact at all

Additional comments:

Q7. Please indicate the specific disease or animal health issue that you work with most frequently or that affects you the most:

Drop down menu (see attachment 1)

Other disease:

Q8. Please rate the impact the ARS Animal Health National Program has had in the specific disease area that you work with most frequently; for example, Avian Influenza Virus:

- Very large impact
- Large impact
- Some impact
- Very little impact
- No impact at all

Additional comments:

Q9. As we plan the future direction of our research program for the next 5 years, what are our strengths and what activities or research should ARS continue to have maximum impact? Please write your answer here:

Q10. What activities or research programs should ARS discontinue that have little or no impact? Please write your answer here:

- Yes
- No


Additional comments:

- For scientific program information
- For specific animal disease updates
- For information on an ARS laboratory
- Did not use
- Unaware of it

New screen if any of the first three selected: Did you find what you were looking for? Yes, no.

Additional comments:

Q14. Please add any additional comments that you feel will be useful to us regarding your experience with the ARS Animal Health National Program here:



Attachment 1

Anaplasmosis
Avian Influenza (AI)
Avian Leukosis Virus (ALV)
Avian Pneumovirus (APV)
Bordetella avium
Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus (BVDV)
Brucellosis
Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)
Classical Swine Fever Virus (CSFV)
Coccidiosis
Foot-and-Mouth Disease Virus (FMDV)
Genetic Diversity Panel
Immune Modulators
Immunological Reagents
Johne's Disease (Mycobacterium paratuberculosis)
Leptospirosis
Listeria monocytogenes
Ornithobacterium rhinotracheale (ORT)
Pasteuralla (Mannheimia) haemolytica
Pasteurella multocida
Mastitis
Mycobacterium paratuberculosis (Johne's Disease)
Mycoplasma gallisepticum (MG)
Malignant Catarrhal Fever (MCF)
Marek's Disease Virus (MDV)
Newcastle Disease
Milk Fever
Neosporosis
Pine Needle Abortion
Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS)
Poult Enteritis Mortality Syndrome (PEMS)
Pox viruses
Reticuloendotheliosis virus (REV)
Scrapie
Swine Influenza Virus (SIV)
Toxoplasmosis
Trichinellosis
Tuberculosis
Vesicular Stomatitis Virus (VSV)