

UNUSUAL SIGNS THAT MAY INDICATE POSSIBLE BIOTERRORISM

- # Unusually high number of sick animals, deaths, or abortions
- # Abnormal or unusual signs not typically seen for a particular disease
- # Disease occurrence outside of its normal expected season
- # Multiple outbreaks of the same illness
- # Unusual route of exposure suspected
- # Multiple cases of mysterious illness
- # Both owner and animal are ill

PREVENTION AND CONTROL

- # **Deter access to your farm**
 - Limit access to farm to one gated road
 - Keep the gate locked when not in use
 - Keep all unused buildings locked
 - Implement rodent and bird control in barns, especially feed rooms
- # **Visitors**
 - Post signs to inform visitors of rules to follow while on farm
 - Monitor and document all visits and visitors to your farm
 - Do not take visitors to livestock areas or barns unless necessary
- # **Employees**
 - Pre-screen new employees
 - Train employees on common disease signs and patterns, so they will recognize unusual illness signs in animals
- # **Personal**
 - Wash hands thoroughly with disinfectant soap before and after accessing livestock areas
 - Use clean coveralls and rubber or disposable boots for each farm
 - Place 'dirty' coveralls in a plastic bag after each visit
 - Clean and disinfect rubber boots after each farm visit
- # **Animals**
 - Isolate all new animals
 - Never feed table scraps or garbage to farm animals
 - Call herd veterinarian immediately if unusual illness or signs are noticed
- # **Vehicles**
 - Park vehicles away from barns and livestock areas, preferably on concrete
 - Avoid the transfer of dirt, mud or manure by vehicles
 - Attend to vehicles carrying livestock at all times

WHO TO CONTACT

Keep a list of important phone numbers

- # Herd veterinarian:.....
- # State Veterinarian's office: Dr. Wayne Cunningham 303-239-4161 (Colorado)
- # USDA/APHIS Area Office: Dr. Jerry Diemer 303-231-5385 (Colorado)
- # Local police department:.....
- # Local and State public health department: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment 303-692-2035

If you detect suspicious activity

- # Call your local veterinarian
- # Call local law enforcement authorities
- # Monitor livestock until authorities arrive
- # Isolate any livestock the intruder may have had contact with