

# NATIONAL EAD PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE AWARENESS AND TRAINING RESOURCES FOR INDUSTRY:

#### 1. EAD AWARENESS TRAINING

Animal Health Australia (AHA) hosts a variety of online courses related to emergency animal disease (EAD) preparedness, arrangements and biosecurity on its eLearning platform. While some of these courses have been developed by AHA, some have also been developed by AHA's member organisations. Follow <a href="these guidelines">these guidelines</a> to register for and access the online courses listed below. The AHA eLearning portal can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

### i. AHA EAD Foundation Online Course:

The purpose of this course is to inform learners (livestock industry and government personnel, veterinarians, vet and animal science students, and stakeholders involved in an EAD response) about how EAD responses are managed in Australia, and to give a foundation for further training in EAD response functions.

Estimated time to complete – 2hrs

#### ii. FMD Awareness course

AHA hosts this course developed by Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries. If you work in, or with, the livestock industry, this FMD awareness training will help you to:

- o understand the risks of FMD to our livestock industries
- o learn practical information about how to help prevent an outbreak
- recognise FMD signs in susceptible livestock and the importance of early reporting
- o understand what would happen if an FMD incident occurred.
- o Estimated time to complete 30 to 60 minutes

### 2. NATIONAL COMMITTEE ROLES

During the event of an emergency animal disease (EAD) incident, formal response structures are activated to facilitate information flow between the strategic, tactical and operational elements of a response. As part of this framework, industry and government representatives are convened into national committees to ensure rapid decision-making and an efficient and effective response.

## i. CCEAD and NMG awareness resources

- The draft CCEAD and NMG Information Guide (in drafting) is intended to be an educational resource for government and industry personnel, identified by their agency or Peak Industry Body (respectively), to represent their EADRA Party on the Consultative Committee on Emergency Animal Diseases (CCEAD) or National Management Group (NMG) during a cost-shared response to an EAD. Information covered in this booklet may serve as refresher material for individuals who have received AHA training, or as a just-in-time resource for new representatives called upon to sit on CCEAD or NMG.
- o A video on the CCEAD and NMG decision making process.

#### ii. CCEAD and NMG Training

 AHA recommends participants complete the EAD Foundation online course before attending a <u>CCEAD or NMG workshop</u> run by AHA.

## 3. CONTROL/COORDINATION CENTRE EDUCATION RESOURCES:

One of the roles that industry representatives can also fill is the Liaison – Livestock Industry function (LLI). LLI representatives act on behalf of their Industry and provide an Industry perspective and essential advice and guidance on response matters, and act as a conduit of communication between the Affected Industry and response management in a local control or state coordination centre.

## ii. Liaison Livestock Industry (LLI) awareness resources



- The published LLI Information Guide is intended to be an educational resource for industry liaison representatives; and for peak industry body staff as a refresher resource to aid in their nomination of appropriate LLI representative/s.
- For more information, refer to the <u>Liaison Livestock Industry Information Guide</u> on Animal Health Australia's website.
  - Estimated time to complete 1 hr
- o The LLI role is outlined in this video.
- The just in time video pack for LLI representatives is intended to be used as a refresher resource by LLI representatives immediately prior to being deployed into a control centre (provided to reps by AHA).
  - Estimated time to complete 30 mins

## iii. LLI Training

 AHA recommends participants complete the EAD Foundation online course before attending an <u>LLI workshop</u> run by AHA.

## iv. Work health and safety induction in a biosecurity emergency response (WHSBER) online course

- The purpose of this Tocal College owned course is to increase awareness of the main safety issues in a control centre and in the field during a biosecurity emergency response.
- Upon logging in and enrolling into the course via <u>AHA's eLearning platform</u>, please follow any subsequent registration instructions to access the course.
- Estimated time to complete 1hr

## v. AUSVETPLAN Control Centre Management Manual Part 2

<u>The second manual</u> describes the specific functions of state and territory, and local EAD control centres and forward command posts, and their response personnel during a response. The LLI Job cards describe the appointment, skills and knowledge, tasks and key outputs required from the LLI function at both local (page 133) and state (page 36) levels.

## 4. DISEASE SPECIFIC RESOURCES AND TRAINING

- i. AUSVETPLAN Lumpy Skin Disease Manual
- ii. AUSVETPLAN FMD Manual
  - The LSD Manual is currently being reviewed; the latest version will soon be available on the AHA website.
  - These disease strategies provide information about the disease; the relevant risk factors and their treatment, and the options for the management of a disease outbreak depending on the circumstances; and the policy that will be adopted in the case of an outbreak.

## iii. FMD Course for Veterinarians and Para veterinarians

- <u>AHA hosts this course</u> developed by the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries. The purpose of this course is to provide veterinarians and veterinary paraprofessionals with information about the clinical signs, differential diagnoses, sample collection, sample submission and diagnostics for foot-and-mouth disease (FMD).
  - Estimated time to complete 3.5 hrs



## 5. General Resources

https://animalhealthaustralia.com.au/lumpy-skin-disease/ https://animalhealthaustralia.com.au/foot-and-mouth-disease/

o Animal Health Australia LSD and FMD webpages for a producer audience.