

## UNITED STATES ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION - 2005

**RESOLUTION:** 19 APPROVED AS AMENDED  
**SOURCE:** COMMITTEE ON JOHNE'S DISEASE  
**SUBJECT MATTER:** DISTRIBUTION OF JOHNE'S FUNDING IN FY 2006  
**DATES:** Hershey, Pennsylvania – November 3-9, 2005

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Congress has cut the funding for the National Johne's Control Program from \$18.59 million in FY 05 to \$13.184 million in FY 06. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the President requested approximately \$3.0 million. The House of Representatives appropriated approximately \$7.5 million and the Senate appropriated approximately \$18.6 million. It is important that an emphasis of the total FY 06 funding is appropriated to those states that have exhibited a strong desire to control the spread of Johne's disease in cattle herds within their respective states.

### **RESOLUTION:**

The United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) strongly encourages the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) to maintain funding for cooperative agreements with states under the National Johne's Control Program in the FY 2006 budget to the maximum extent possible. Consideration for funding may be based on compliance with Johne's Disease Control Program Standards, degree of state cost-share assistance (both direct and in-kind) and the number of herds participating in the program. A baseline would be established for all states to receive some monies for their programs.

### **Response:**

#### **ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE, VETERINARY SERVICES (APHIS-VS)**

Veterinary Services is working hard to identify all the needs to sustain the program and will do our best to provide the maximum resources to the States in the face of the budget cuts to the program. Program funds used for cooperative agreements will be distributed based on compliance with the VBJDCP standards and the number of herds enrolled into the program. The degree of cost sharing will not be used in the determination of funding distribution but this information will be collected as a baseline measure for this year. A baseline funding level will be chosen so that all states participating will receive a minimal level of federal support.