

Links to USDA APHIS Initiatives and Activities for NEUSAHA Attendees

APHIS American Rescue Plan Implementation

With funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, we are bringing together experts from across APHIS—whether they focus on wildlife diseases, livestock, or companion and zoo animals—and partnering with other agencies that protect human and environmental health to take a One Health approach to the problems the global SARS-CoV-2 pandemic has highlighted. Our priority is to understand SARS-CoV-2 and how it moves between people and animals. This includes learning more about the virus, which animals it affects, and how it is spreading to new locations or species. Long term we expect to build national capacity to potentially prevent or limit the next zoonotic disease outbreak, or the next global pandemic.

- [APHIS' American Rescue Plan \(ARP\) Surveillance Program: Strategic Framework \(usda.gov\)](#)
- [USDA APHIS | One Health Home](#)

Importation of Dogs

APHIS and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have specific requirements for pet dogs traveling (imported) to the United States from countries affected by specific diseases such as rabies, screwworm, and foot and mouth disease. Effective August 16, 2021, dogs imported for commercial sale or adoption must meet requirements from APHIS Animal Care, APHIS Veterinary Services, and the CDC.

- [USDA APHIS | Pet Travel - Bringing Pet Dogs into the United States](#)
- [USDA APHIS | How to Bring Dogs into the United States for Commercial Sale or Adoption](#)
- [VS Federal Order ASF_final v2.pdf \(usda.gov\)](#)

Chronic Wasting Disease Funding Opportunities

On April 7, 2022, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services (VS) and Wildlife Services (WS) announced the following competitive funding opportunities for state and Tribal governments to further develop and implement Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) management and response activities in farmed and wild cervids:

- [FY22 Farmed Cervid CWD Management and Response Activities](#)
 - [FAQs Farmed Cervid CWD Management and Response Activities](#)
- [FY22 Wild Cervid CWD Management and Response Activities](#)
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NOTE: Applicant trainings for the [FY22 Tribal Nations Wild Cervid CWD Opportunities](#) will be held separately and additional information will be forthcoming.

Farm Bill

Section 12101 of the 2018 Farm Bill established a three-part program to help APHIS support animal disease prevention and management. The bill included funding to create two new programs: the National Animal Vaccine and Veterinary Countermeasures Bank and the National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program (Preparedness and Response Program). It also expands funding opportunities for the existing National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN).

- [USDA APHIS | 2018 Farm Bill Section 12101: Animal Disease Prevention and Management](#)

USAJobs Announcements for VS Positions

We hire animal health professionals for a variety of positions. Search for current opportunities at [USAJOBS](#).

[USDA APHIS | APHIS Careers](#)

HPAI Summer Temporary Positions [USAJOBS - Job Announcement](#)

ESF-11

APHIS' experience in responding to plant and animal health emergencies made the agency a natural choice to assist FEMA as it responds to a wide variety of emergency incidents. The U.S. Government's National Response Framework (NRF) guides how government agencies work together and provide a unified national response to emergencies and disasters. Under this guide, different functions are defined and roles are assigned. APHIS provides support under Emergency Support Function #11.

Under ESF #11, USDA and the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) address the protection of agricultural and natural resources in a national emergency.

[USDA APHIS | Federal Emergency Support Function \(ESF\) #11](#)