

# Animal Vaccines

## BENEFIT ANIMALS

Animal vaccines are considered the first line of defense against diseases.



Vaccines reduce the need for treating illness, which leads to **less antibiotic use**.<sup>1</sup>



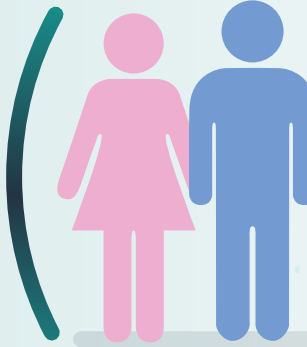
**Less disease and illness** means improved animal health and well-being.

## BENEFIT PEOPLE

**Did you know?**  
Using *E. coli* vaccines on cattle could prevent up to 83% of human infections.<sup>2</sup>



Vaccines protect animals from contracting diseases that they may then transmit to humans.<sup>2,3</sup>



Vaccines **minimize the likelihood and spread** of foodborne pathogens.<sup>4</sup>



Vaccines help **keep food affordable**. By keeping animals healthy, food can be produced using fewer resources.<sup>5</sup>

## BENEFIT THE ENVIRONMENT

Animal vaccines reduce death loss in animal herds, which means we don't have to treat animals for illness as often and fewer resources are used or wasted.<sup>5</sup>



Healthy animals require fewer resources to grow, which reduces the environmental footprint of raising animals.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup>WHO. Media centre. Antibiotic resistance. Fact sheet. July 2020. <https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/antibiotic-resistance>. Accessed January 1, 2021.

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<sup>4</sup>Center for Disease Control and Prevention. CDC Report on Foodborne Disease Trends Shows Need for Better Prevention Strategies. <https://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/newsletter/foodborne-disease-trends.html>. Accessed January 1, 2021.

<sup>5</sup>NOAH. Vaccination for animal health: an overview. <https://www.noah.co.uk/briefingdocument/vaccination-animal-health-overview/>. Accessed January 1, 2021.

<sup>6</sup>Health for Animals Global Animal Health Association. Three ways livestock farming is becoming more sustainable. <https://healthforanimals.org/resources-and-events/newsletter-repository/14-world-environment-day.html?g=44>. Accessed January 1, 2021.