

BVD New Zealand FREE

...building the business case for BVD eradication

Build a BVD Plan

Objectives

To help farmers and veterinarians assess the current BVD situation in their cattle herds and develop a new BVD management plan for the 2019/2020 season using planning worksheets developed in partnership with the national BVD Steering Committee.



Dates

Open 1st March 2019 to 31st May 2019

Eligibility

- Veterinarians must be registered to practice with the Veterinary Council of New Zealand (VCNZ)
- Farmers must own or manage cattle herds that are registered in the National Animal Identification and Tracing (NAIT) system. This includes commercial dairy herds, commercial beef herds, graziers, heifer rearers, and lifestyle block owners

Instructions

Visit the www.bvdfree.org.nz home page and either:

- Login to the website to complete your BVD Management Plan online.
- Download and print a paper copy of the BVD Planning Tool. Completed copies can be e-mailed to BVDFreeNZ@gmail.com or mailed to:

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farmers!**

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Bonus

Why is this research important?

BVD is a common infectious cattle disease in New Zealand that can significantly impact animal health, welfare and production. With as many as 65% of beef herds and 35% of dairy herds actively infected with BVD, the chances are high that your herd has a current problem with BVD or is at risk of getting infected. Developing a good management plan to get and keep BVD out your business will help improve 2019/2020 bottom line.

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