

SUPPORT AND INFORMATION FOR VETERINARY PRACTITIONERS

VETBOARD VICTORIA RESOURCES

- [Download proof of registration or update your contact details via My Account](#)
- [COVID-19 FAQs](#) and [telemedicine guidance](#)
- [Registration](#)
- [Complaints](#)
- [Guidelines for appropriate standards of veterinary practice and veterinary facilities](#)
- [Veterinary Practice Act 1997](#)
- [Other laws relating to veterinary practice](#) including the *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981*
- [About the Board](#) and [Board members](#)
- [Annual reports](#)

PERSONAL SUPPORT DURING COVID-19

If you or someone you know needs assistance or support, the links below may be helpful to you.

Physical health:

- [Symptoms and risks](#) - Victorian Government
- [Symptom checker](#) or call the coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 - Australian Government

General support:

- Australian Veterinary Association [Vic Health](#) and [telephone counselling](#) 1300 687 327 both for AVA members & to vet professionals who work for them
- [Head to Health](#) - Australian Government
- [Mental Health Resources – coronavirus](#) - Victorian Government
- Lifeline Australia [Mental health and wellbeing during the coronavirus outbreak](#) 131 114
- Beyond Blue [Coronavirus mental wellbeing support service](#) 1300 224 636
- [Sane Australia](#) 1800 187 263

Workplace support:

- [AVA COVID-1 Workplace Toolkit 2021](#)
- [COVIDSafe Plan](#) – Victorian Government
- [Victoria's restriction levels](#) - includes Victorian Government Workplace Directions
- Business Victoria: call 13 22 15 or view [Coronavirus business information](#)
- Fair Work Ombudsman: [Coronavirus and Australian workplace laws](#)

AGRICULTURE VICTORIA INFORMATION

Emergency Disease Hotline

Call 1800 675 888 to report suspected emergency diseases. Staffed by vets 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Talk to local animal health staff

Call 136 186 to get in touch with Agriculture Victoria District Veterinary Officers and Animal Health Officers located throughout Victoria.

General contacts

- Customer service line 136 186
- Email biosecurity queries or feedback to animal.biosecurity@ecodev.vic.gov.au
- Email animal welfare queries to pet.welfare@agriculture.vic.gov.au

General information

- www.agriculture.vic.gov.au
- [Biosecurity](#) and [animal diseases](#)
- [VetWatch newsletter](#) – information about animal disease surveillance
- [Antibiotic resistant infections](#) & [information for vets and staff](#)
- [Animal Welfare Victoria](#)
- [Livestock and animals](#)
- [Pet care](#)

MEDICINES, MICROCHIPPING, RADIATION

- [Medicines and Poisons Regulation](#) office, Victorian Department of Health and [legislative requirements for vets](#)
- **Prescribing guidelines and resources:**
 - [Various prescribing guidelines including dogs and cats, pigs, poultry](#) - AVA
 - [Off-label drugs, compounded medicines and antibiotics](#) - AVA
 - [Veterinary prescribing guidelines for companion animals, equines and bovines](#) the University of Melbourne
- **Microchipping:** [authorised implanter course for veterinarians](#) - Victorian Division AVA
- **Radiation:** [individual use licence](#) and [management licences](#) to use radiation sources Vic Health.

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