



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Animal and Environment Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Annual Review 2022/23



Arwain DGC
Defnydd Gwrthficrobaidd Cyfrifol
Responsible Antimicrobial Use

Minister's Statement at the Senedd

Lesley Griffiths, the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd, **gave a statement** on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR). She summarised progress of the **Animals and the Environment Five Year Implementation Plan for Wales 2019-2024**.



The Minister also announced further commitments for AMR delivery in Wales, and looked forward by committing additional resources to continue our work.

Progress of Veterinary Prescribing Champions (VPCs) Network

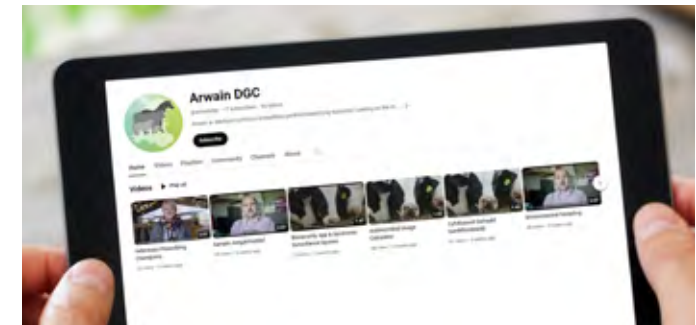
To date, Arwain DGC has worked with 51 vets, from 44 veterinary practices. The network won the "Prescribing and Stewardship" award at the Antibiotic Guardian 2022 Shared learning event. Arwain DGC and the VPC network co-produced a Code of Conduct and Clinical guidelines for large animal practices.



Farm Environment Sampling (Monitoring AMR patterns)

There was good progress made on 54 Beef, Sheep and Dairy farms in Wales through intensive, repeated sampling.

This will enable future correlation between AMU and AMR patterns.



New members welcomed

The Animal and Environment AMR Delivery Group welcomed new members to the fold and held a successful all-day face to face workshop in Cardiff which brought together key stakeholders.



Sheep | Beef | Dairy

Innovative ways to keep animals healthy

We are using technology to explore biosecurity and precision agriculture solutions to reduce disease burden and usage of antibiotics in farm animals.

Work has commenced on 12 farms, which held 6 open days, on piloting new technology to improve animal health and so reduce the need to use antibiotics.

AMU data collection for Cattle and Sheep

Over 7,500 calculations have been generated voluntarily from Welsh farms who are members of WLBP / FAWL.

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