



CANADIAN VETERINARY MEDICINE ASSOCIATION INFORMATION SHEET ON INCOMING ANTIMICROBIAL REGULATORY CHANGES

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As of December 1, 2018, all Medically Important Antimicrobials (MIAs) for veterinary use will be sold by prescription only. Read more <<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/antibiotic-antimicrobial-resistance/animals/actions/responsible-use-antimicrobials.html>>.

Beginning in February 2018 there will be transition during which there will be both Over the Counter (OTC) and Prescription (Pr) labeled MIA in the marketplace.

The Canadian Animal Health Institute (CAHI) and the Animal Nutrition Association of Canada (ANAC) are working collaboratively to raise awareness of the move of MIAs to Pr Drug status during the transition period. Read the full CAHI-ANAC statement here <<https://www.canadianveterinarians.net/documents/cahi-anac-managing-inventory-during-otc-to-pr-switch-transition-period>>.

Responsible Use Logo on MIA Labels and Information Pieces Roll Out in 2018

To support antibiotic stewardship, Canadian animal health companies will begin to use a “Contains Antimicrobial. Use Responsibly” on MIA labels and information pieces in 2018. Visit the CAHI website <<https://www.cahi-icsa.ca/antimicrobial-stewardship>> for more details on logo use.

Who we are working with

The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA), CAHI, ANAC and other stakeholders, have been engaging with Health Canada's Veterinary Drugs Directorate <<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/corporate/about-health-canada/branches-agencies/health-products-food-branch/veterinary-drugs-directorate.html>> about these changes and will continue to provide support with ongoing engagement and communication.

To stay up to date on information about the upcoming Health Canada rule changes, visit the Veterinary Oversight of Antimicrobial Use in Animals in Canada <<https://www.canadianveterinarians.net/policy-advocacy/veterinary-oversight-of-antimicrobial-use-in-canada>> section of the CVMA website.

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