

Veterinary Services Careers Program: Emerging Issues in Agriculture

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PURPOSE

The Emerging Issues in Agriculture course has been designed to increase your awareness of emerging animal health issues and your role in their management. Its purpose is to inform and familiarize you with the issues, what to do and whom to contact when they arise, roles and responsibilities within VS and APHIS, the changing roles of VS and APHIS, and where the future may be taking us.

OBJECTIVES

At the end of the Emerging Issues course, participants will:

1. Have an increased awareness of emerging animal health issues;
2. Understand how emerging issues are identified, communicated, assessed, coordinated, and dealt with in VS (APHIS);
3. Understand the roles and responsibilities of VS (APHIS) units regarding emerging issues;
4. Have learned about and discussed examples of current emerging issues facing VS (APHIS);
5. Understand changing roles of VS (APHIS);
6. Comprehend the significance worldwide trade in livestock and their products can have on the development of emerging issues. Recognize the importance trade plays in the roles and responsibilities of VS (APHIS).