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EVOLVING THE OIE PVS PATHWAY TO BETTER RESPOND TO COUNTRIES' NEEDS

PVS Pathway Cycle for the Strengthening of Veterinary Services





PVS PATHWAY EVOLUTION - CASE STUDIES

STAGE 1: ORIENTATION

A key initial focus of PVS Pathway evolution is the delivery of Orientation Training to OIE Member Countries, generally at sub-regional level. PVS training "demystifies" PVS and enhances country understanding and ownership, promotes PVS requests, enhances mission preparation, improves the quality and use of reports, and potentiates PVS Self-Evaluation. Outstanding trainees will be trialled as mission observers and may even become newly certified PVS experts. Over time, a regional network of PVS trainees, will be brought back together as PVS specialists to analyse reports, identify gaps and develop projects at regional level.



MEXICO

20-22 FEBRUARY 2018

Such PVS Orientation Training was delivered for the OIRSA Member Countries of Central America. The highly interactive training began with theory and practical days for in-depth focus on using the PVS Tool. The final planning day was dedicated to how the trainees intended to use their new PVS knowledge over the next 12 months.

The event was highly successful. The OIE is confident that PVS training will be invaluable in strengthening Veterinary Services through enhanced national and regional engagement with the PVS Pathway into the future.



STAGE 4: TARGETED SUPPORT

Sub-optimal intersectoral collaboration is a common deficiency within most PVS reports. The OIE and WHO have engaged at the highest levels in a strategic partnership to improve systems-based One Health collaboration targeting global health security. True integration of the OIE PVS Pathway and its WHO equivalent, the International Health Regulations Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (IHR MEF), has been developed. IHR/PVS National Bridging Workshops bring together public and animal health officials of a Member Country to jointly review reports from previous WHO IHR MEF Joint External Evaluation and OIE PVS missions, to identify gaps and opportunities for improved collaboration at the human-animal interface.



16-18 OCTOBER 2017

Tanzania has championed the One Health approach to reinforce their capacity in global health security via linking the OIE and WHO capacity-building frameworks. Their National Bridging Workshop gathered 77 participants, with equal representation from both sectors, for 3 days.

Fruitful intersectoral discussions, based on the respective reports, resulted in a joint road-map supporting improved collaboration in managing zoonotic risks, and the refinement of Tanzania's National Action Plan for Health Security. The highly interactive and successful workshop demonstrated the building of new professional networks, better alignment of sectoral strategies, and more efficient planning and resource allocation.

STAGE 2: EVALUATION

As part of PVS Evolution, the OIE is developing PVS "specific content", targeting veterinary issues of the highest global priority during PVS Evaluation missions. The two topics being explored are Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) eradication and Antimicrobial Resistance. Feedback on this approach stressed maintaining the integrity of the full PVS methods with its horizontal, whole-ofsystem coverage. Therefore, the "specific content" component is supplementary to the full mission.



TURKEY

6-17 MARCH 2017



Turkey became the first country to pilot a PVS/PPR specific content mission. One PVS team member, a PPR specialist, participated fully but also with a "PPR lens", including during field visits and in managing a full day meeting on PPR. The full PVS report included a new PPR annex.

The annex was structured to feed directly into the PPR Monitoring and Assessment Tool, as part of the FAO/OIE PPR Global Eradication Programme. The PVS/PPR Evaluation missions will link and leverage a PVS systems approach, made directly applicable to a high priority issue, to demonstrate its practical impact at national, regional and global level.



STAGE 3: PLANNING

An OIE PVS Strategic Planning Support workshop will provide guidance and a template, based on a recent PVS Gap Analysis report, which the country can then use to produce its own new or updated 5-year strategic plan for Veterinary Services as a pathway to truly country owned and sustainable Veterinary Services strengthening.



ETHIOPIA

Ethiopia integrated the results of their PVS Evaluation in 2011 and their PVS Gap Analysis in 2012, into a national Veterinary Services Strategic Plan launched in 2013. This fostered internal resourcing and change across an array of priority areas including: boosts to staffing and operational funding; a comprehensive real time animal health information system; piloting livestock identification and traceability systems locally; and developing a "Rationalisation Roadmap" categorising Veterinary Services provision as - public good, private good and shared (public-private partnership), with resources targeted appropriately.

The Ethiopian example, and many others like it around the world, demonstrated the power of integrating PVS outputs into a nationally owned strategic planning process or cycle. Given such success stories, the OIE is now developing support for other countries that find it difficult to effectively use their PVS reports in such a way.





