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AHCPRK313 Treat rectal prolapse in pigs

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 9.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to treat rectal prolapse in pigs, including preparation, treatment and post-treatment care.

This unit applies to individuals who apply technical knowledge and skills with discretion and judgement to care for pigs in pork production environments. They work under broad direction, coordinate activities and solve problems related to pig health and welfare. Work environments may include indoor and outdoor pork production systems.

Commonwealth and/or state/territory health and safety, animal welfare, environmental protection and biosecurity legislation, regulations and codes of practice apply to keeping and working with pigs. Requirements vary between jurisdictions.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Mandatory workplace requirements apply to the assessment of this unit.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Pork (PRK)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare to treat rectal prolapse	1.1 Identify and follow biosecurity procedures that apply to entering and working on a pork production site

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	1.2 Recognise signs of rectal prolapse and rectal strictures in pigs 1.3 Determine treatment based on severity of prolapse or stricture, and pig health and condition 1.4 Seek supervisor, veterinary or other expert advice where required 1.5 Prepare work site, required resources and materials for treatment according to enterprise infection control procedures
2. Treat rectal prolapse	2.1 Identify health and safety hazards, and assess and control risks related to treating rectal prolapse 2.2 Select and fit personal protective equipment (PPE) according to enterprise safety and biosecurity requirements 2.3 Isolate and/or treat pig according to Farm Treatment Plan using safe manual handling and low stress animal handling techniques 2.4 Monitor pig improvement and/or continue treatment as required, and update treatment records 2.5 Report abnormal outbreaks of rectal prolapse to farm management

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret textual information in enterprise procedures, forms and standards related to pig health care
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record pig health and treatments accurately using industry terminology
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use industry terminology to describe pig condition, health and treatments
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimate and calculate quantity, size, weight, volume, ratio and temperature

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCPK313 Treat rectal prolapse in pigs	AHCPK302 Treat rectal prolapse in pig	Major changes to all sections of the unit Worker health and safety outcomes added Foundation skills added Mandatory workplace requirements added	Not equivalent

Links

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