



Animal Welfare as it relates to Production Agriculture

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American Veterinary Medical Association

- The AVMA represents more than 78,000 veterinarians.
- The mission of the Association is to improve animal and human health and advance the veterinary medical profession.
- AVMA is a leading advocate for, and an authoritative, science-based resource on animal welfare.



American Veterinary Medical Association

AVMA members serve as volunteer leaders on:

- 7 Councils and approximately 25 Committees/Task Forces
- This gives AVMA a very broad and diverse representation for all animal health and welfare and public health issues
- Councils/Committees/Task Forces review issues and provide recommendations to the AVMA Executive Board

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Animal Welfare Committee

- 18 members representing all areas of veterinary medicine
- Proactively identify and prioritize animal welfare
- Critically evaluate related information
- Welfare Policy Statements available at the AVMA website

<http://www.avma.org/animalwelfare>

American Veterinary Medical Association

Animal Welfare Division

Division Director: Gail Golab, PhD, DVM, MACVSc

- Proactively addresses developing issues related to animal welfare
- Provides scientific analyses of issues
- Supports the committees that develop AVMA policy on animal welfare, the human-animal bond, and euthanasia
- Implements approved AVMA policies

American Veterinary Medical Association

AVMA is committed to our responsibilities in animal welfare

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