Follow Proper Feed Product Protocols

Good Production Practice #5

Assuring Quality Care for Animals
Food Animal Quality Assurance
Medicated Feeds and Current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMPs)

- Medicated cGMPs require that feed
  - Complies with federal residue levels for feed
  - Assesses feed additives and veterinary drugs used in feed are safe
  - Identification of animals fed medicated feed is required
  - Meets the required withdrawal time
Medicated Feeds

• Can only feed at level approved by FDA
  – No extra-label use of medicated feeds
  – This is ILLEGAL!

• Feed at level as indicated on the feed label instructions
  – Consult veterinarian or nutritionist with questions
Storage of Medicated Feeds

• Store at proper moisture and temperature

• Keep medicated feeds separate from non-medicated feeds
Cross-Contamination

- To pollute or taint by contact
- What can you do to reduce the risk of cross-contamination?
  - Use different feed scoops
    - Red for medicated
    - Green or another color for non-medicated
  - Properly clean feed mixing equipment
  - Store medicated feed and other feeds separately
Guidelines for Good Feeding Practices

- Good housekeeping
- Feed storage
- Handling
- Clean and safe environment
- Labels
- Follow feed tag directions & processor recommendations
- Recordkeeping
READ THE LABEL

- Age and type of animal feeding
- Nutrient needs
- Active drug ingredient and withdrawal time
- Know how to calculate proper amounts!!
  - Consult nutritionist, veterinarian, or Extension professional
Medicated Feed Label
Recordkeeping

- Record use of medicated feeds
- Keep complete records of feed formulation
- Swine, sheep, goats, poultry
  - Keep records 1 year
- Beef and dairy
  - Keep records 2 years
Veterinary Feed Directive

A VFD is a written statement issued by a licensed veterinarian that authorizes the use of an approved VFD drug or combination VFD drug in or on an animal feed. This written statement authorizes the client (owner of the animal) to obtain and use animal feed bearing or containing a VFD drug or combination VFD drug to treat the client’s animals only in accordance with the conditions for use approved by the FDA (Food and Drug Administration).