

# Calf Health Programme



## Business Plan 2025



Animal Health Ireland (AHI) is a private-public partnership established between private agri-sector stakeholders and the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM).

AHI aims to provide the knowledge, education and coordination required to establish effective control programmes for important diseases of livestock that are not subject to international regulation and in so doing to contribute to an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable farming and agrifood sector through improved animal health and welfare.

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## Programme Objective

The goal of CalfCare is to achieve optimized calf health and welfare in dairy and beef herds.

### PROGRAMME EVALUATION

	Q1 ▼	Q2 ▼	Q3 ▼	Q4 ▼
01 Organise a series of roadshows in conjunction with Teagasc and DairyBeef 500 on calf health and welfare to promote best practice and overall calf health management from birth to weaning.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q2			
02 Hold information webinar to engage with advisors and veterinary practitioners to ensure consistency of message.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q2			
03 Review and maintain AHI information leaflets and videos on calf health and develop further if required.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q3			
04 Continue to produce information articles and educational material and circulate to stakeholders, farmers and the farming press including 'Its Your Field, Agriland, AHI Bulletin and AHI social media channels and website.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q4			

### PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT

01 Engage with Technical Working Group to identify priority areas to focus key messages on.	Progress bar from Q2 to Q3			
02 Collaborate with key stakeholders with a view to encouraging and developing networks and suitable partnerships between dairy and beef farmers.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q4			
03 Participate in educational events organised by stakeholders such as UCC/UCD/SETU lectures, Moorepark Open Day, Tullamore Show, Information evenings, Discussion group meetings.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q4			
04 Review CalfCare 2025 events and plan for Plan for 2026 On Farm events- liaise with Teagasc, Dairy and Beef Processors, Feed for Growth (Volac), DAFM.	Progress bar from Q1 to Q4			
05 Develop material necessary for 2026 CalfCare events- Theme, Boards, Booklets.	Progress bar from Q4 to Q4			