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AHI welcomes announcement of Biosecurity TASAH

Animal Health Ireland welcomes the recent announcement by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Martin Heydon, of a Biosecurity TASAH (Targeted Advisory Service for Animal Health) to be launched in 2025.

Along with AHI's current programmes, this TASAH will support on-farm veterinary led advisory visits and will enable a focus on biosecurity on farmers in the form of:

- An Irish Biosecurity Risk Assessment Tool available for dairy farms,
- Parasite advice in a similar format to the previous Parasite Control TASAH for all Irish cattle and sheep farms, now also available for equine holdings.

Avoiding problems before they arise can improve animal health, productivity, and result in economic benefits. Preventing the spread of disease onto farms and managing endemic diseases effectively, including parasites, is therefore a goal for most farmers.

Natascha Meunier, Programme Manager at Animal Health Ireland said "*The TASAH hopes to provide a trusted source of advice to the farmer through their local veterinarian. In recent years, the success of the Parasite Control TASAH, which saw a high uptake by Irish herds and flocks, reflects the willingness of farmers and veterinarians to tackle preventative medicine for complex disease management*."

Registration will be available in the coming weeks, but for more information, please see https://animalhealthireland.ie/programmes/farmer-veterinary-visits/ and keep an eye on our social media platforms for updates.

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