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COVID-19疫苗優先施打對象之相關資訊，請轉知所屬會員。

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主旨：依據國際組織建議，並鑑於維護獸醫師人力，積極處理重大人畜共同疾病，對於保障國人健康安全至為重要，建請將執業獸醫師納入COVID-19疫苗優先施打對象，請查照。

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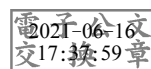
- 一、依據聯合國糧農組織（FAO）、世界動物衛生組織（OIE）、聯合國環境規劃署（UNEP）與世界衛生組織（WHO）共同制定之避免疾病爆發的全球行動計畫，其中有四分之三新興傳染病屬重大人畜共通傳染性疾病，因此這項工作必須在防疫一體（One Health）架構下正常運作，方能完成（如附件1），獸醫師在促進公共衛生及防疫扮演極重要角色。
- 二、又按亞洲獸醫協會聯合會（Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations）2021年5月17日致相關各界公開信（如附件2），由於執業獸醫師工作內容包含：對抗重大人畜共通與高度經濟危害性疾病處置（包含動物疫苗接種、治療與重要外科手術）、畜禽屠宰衛生檢查與新興動物傳染病等項目，建議執業獸醫師在COVID-19疫苗注射中應予優先考慮，以便有效降低傳播風險。
- 三、此外，近十年來國內曾發生數次重大人畜共通傳染病，102年爆發鼬獾狂犬病、106年H5N6亞型高病原性家禽流行性感冒及牛結核病等，獸醫師持續站在第一線為防堵人類、動物疫病發生與傳播而努力，並與衛生機關積極合作下，目前狂犬病疫情僅侷限於野生動物，H5N6亞型高病原性家禽流行性感冒已澈底清除（已通報OIE結案），近期亦配合協助H1N2v新型流行性感冒個案調查，有效維護國人健康、財產及糧食

安全，故維持獸醫師人力正常運作實有必要性。

四、綜上，建請將執業獸醫師納入COVID-19疫苗優先施打對象。

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# New international expert panel to address the emergence and spread of zoonotic diseases

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International organizations have come together to launch a new One Health High-Level Expert Panel to improve understanding of how diseases with the potential to trigger pandemics, emerge and spread.

The panel will advise four international organizations - the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE); the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); and the World Health Organization (WHO) - on the development of a long-term global plan of action to avert outbreaks of diseases like H5N1 avian influenza; MERS; Ebola; Zika, and, possibly, COVID-19. Three quarters of all emerging infectious diseases originate in animals.

It will operate under the One Health Approach, which recognizes the links between the health of people, animals, and the environment and highlights the need for specialists in multiple sectors to address any health threats and prevent disruption to agri-food systems.

Key first steps will include systematic analyses of scientific knowledge about the factors that lead to transmission of a disease from animal to human and vice versa; development of risk assessment and surveillance frameworks; identification of capacity gaps as well as agreement on good practices to prevent and prepare for zoonotic outbreaks.

The panel will consider the impact of human activity on the environment and wildlife habitats. Critical areas will include food production and distribution; urbanization and infrastructure development; international travel and trade; activities that lead to biodiversity loss and climate change; and those that put increased pressure on the natural resource base - all of which can lead to the emergence of zoonotic diseases.

The panel will guide development of a dynamic new research agenda and draw up evidence-based recommendations for global, regional, national and local action.

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General said: "Human health does not exist in a vacuum, and nor can our efforts to protect and promote it. The close links between human, animal and environmental health demand close collaboration, communication and coordination between the relevant

sectors. The High-Level Expert Panel is a much-needed initiative to transform One Health from a concept to concrete policies that safeguard the health of the world's people."

Dr QU Dongyu, FAO Director General, told the panel: "This panel will contribute to advancing the One Health agenda, by helping to better understand the root causes of disease emergence and spread, and informing decision-makers to prevent long-term public health risks. I encourage it to be a shining example of silo-breaking, systems thinking and open dialogue. Expectations for collective action and the need for effective collaboration have never been higher."

Dr Monique Éloit, Director General of the World Organisation for Animal Health noted: "The COVID-19 pandemic is a stark reminder that collaboration across sectors is absolutely critical for global health. The newly established One Health High-Level Expert Panel will contribute to bringing together diverse scientific expertise. United, we will better anticipate global health threats and work to control risks at the animal source. Our Organisation is proud to provide high-level expertise, along with our partners, to develop science-based 'One Health' strategies and programmes.

Inger Andersen, Executive Director of UNEP observed: "To end the triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution that threaten our peace and prosperity, we have to understand that human, animal and planetary health go hand in hand. We must do more to promote transformative actions that target the root causes of nature's destruction. The One Health High-Level Expert Panel is an important step in recognizing the complex, multidisciplinary issues at the interface of human, animal, and environmental health.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of France and Germany also joined the public launch of the One Health High-Level Expert Panel:

Mr Jean-Yves Le Drian, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, France commented: "The COVID-19 pandemic, whose zoonotic origin is strongly suspected, underlines how closely human, animal and environmental health are linked. It demonstrates the importance of the 'One Health' approach. It is in this context that France, together with Germany, proposed the creation of such a Panel at the meeting of the Alliance for Multilateralism organized on the occasion of the Paris Peace Forum on 12 November 2020."

Mr Heiko Maas, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Germany, said: "COVID-19 has painfully reminded us that the health of humans, animals and the environment around the world is closely connected: Nobody is safe until everybody is safe. This is what we have to bear in mind to prevent future pandemics. The establishment of the One Health High-Level Expert Panel thus marks an important step in the right direction. Germany and France will continue to support the panel's work."

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### **To Whom It May Concern,**

The Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA) supports the joint statement made by the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) and World Veterinary Association (WVA) on "COVID-19 and veterinary activities designated as essential" (<https://www.oie.int/en/covid-19-and-veterinary-activities-designated-as-essential/>).

Since then, many countries had accorded the veterinary profession as essential services. We thank all these countries. This has helped the veterinarians to carry out their various activities which include (i) animal health and welfare services-vaccination against diseases of public health impact and economic importance, treatment and important surgical procedures (ii) veterinary regulatory and inspection services for food safety purposes (iii) veterinary emergencies and (iv) research in priority areas.

In carrying out of these activities veterinarians have to face their patients and clients on a daily basis. Every precaution will be taken (PPE and biosecurity) by the veterinarians to avoid the spread of COVID-19.

However, the risk of COVID-19 transmission cannot be ruled out. Hence, FAVA would like to propose that veterinarians be given priority in the immunization against COVID-19 so that the transmission risk can be reduced effectively.





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Your consideration on this matter is very much appreciated.

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