



## **Antimicrobial Resistance and Stewardship**

### **Key Messages**

- Canadian cattle feeders are dedicated to the health and care of their animals. Cattle in feedlots are checked daily to ensure good health and sick animals are cared for according to the feedlot veterinarian's treatment plan for individual diseases.
- Canadian cattle feeders recognize the important role they play in delivering safe and quality food products to consumers. The cattle feeding sector is committed to carefully following the regulations set out by Health Canada for the prudent use of veterinary antimicrobials administered in food-producing animals.
- NCFA is committed to a science-based approach for the production of their animals and they continue to work in partnership with government partners to ensure regulations evolve with science and innovation.
- Canadian cattle feeders use antimicrobials to prevent, control, and treat infectious bacterial diseases with the clinical guidance of feedlot veterinarians.
- Canadian cattle feeders embrace the role they can play in addressing antimicrobial resistance and are committed to ongoing research and working with professional veterinarians to ensure the prudent use of antimicrobials.
- NCFA supports Health Canada – Veterinary Drug Directors' proposed regulatory changes to make all antimicrobials used in feedlot medicine, and of importance in human medicine — by prescription only through veterinarians, under a veterinary-client-patient relationship, and to remove all growth promoting claims from antimicrobials.