Below is a list of affected drugs that will come under the control of a licensed veterinarian via VFD and drugs that are not affected:

Affected Antibiotics

Avilamycin Penicillin*

Chlortetracycline Sulfadimethoxine

Florfenicol Sulfamethazine

Hygromycin B Tilmicosin

Lincomycin Tylosin

Neomycin Tylvalosin

Oxytetracycline Virginiamycin

Unaffected Antibiotics

Bacitracin Ionophores

Bambermycin Tiamulin

Carbadox

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*No longer approved for use starting January 1, 2017

Visit the FDA website to determine proprietary drug names that will be affected.



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VFD On-Farm Compliance

- Only feed animal feed, bearing or containing a VFD drug or a combination VFD drug, to animals based on a VFD issued by a licensed veterinarian.
- Each VFD contains an expiration date. Do not feed a VFD feed to animals after the expiration date without obtaining a new VFD. This includes any remaining feed in a bin and/or feeder.
- Provide a copy of the VFD to the feed distributor if the issuing veterinarian sends the distributor's copy of the VFD through you, the client.
- Maintain a copy of the VFD order for a minimum of two years.
- Provide VFDs for inspection and copying by FDA request.

Develop a Plan

- Establish a VCPR with your veterinarian that is licensed in the State where the animals are to be fed.
- Develop lines of communication with your veterinarian and JBS United Account Manager to maximize animal health, nutrition and ensure on-time service.
- Train staff on VFD requirements and what drugs will require a VFD.
- Monitor feed inventories to ensure products are depleted under a valid VFD.
- Develop a record-keeping system to maintain VFD records.
- Regularly monitor on-farm VFD compliance.

Veterinary Feed Directive FOR Producers



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Introduction



A veterinary feed directive (VFD) is a written (nonverbal) statement issued by a licensed veterinarian in the course of the veterinarian's professional practice that orders the use of a VFD drug or combination VFD drug in or on an animal feed. This written statement authorizes the client to obtain and use animal feed, bearing or containing a VFD drug or combination VFD drug, to treat the client's animals in compliance with the conditions for approved use.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has published a new regulation that has changed the VFD process due to increased concern surrounding the use of antimicrobial drugs used in food producing animals. Changes to the regulation will help support the judicious use of antibiotics and limit antimicrobial resistance, for products used to treat human illness. The agency's effort will result in eliminating growth promotion use of medically important drugs in feed by January 1, 2017.

VFD Drug and VFD Combination Drug

A "VFD drug" is a drug intended for use in or on animal feed which is limited to use under the professional supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

A "combination VFD drug" is intended for use in or on animal feed under the professional supervision of a licensed veterinarian, and at least one of the animal drugs in the combination is a VFD drug.

Veterinary-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR)

The issuing veterinarian shall be licensed to practice veterinary medicine and operate in compliance with appropriate State-defined VCPR requirements. In states that do not have VCPR requirements applicable to VFDs, the veterinarian will be required to follow the federal VCPR requirements outlined in the FDA regulation, which requires:

Visit the FDA website to determine if your state or federal definitions of a VCPR prevails.

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- for making medical judgments about the animal health and the need for medical treatment, and the client has agreed to follow the instructions of the veterinarian.
- There is sufficient knowledge of the animal(s) by virtue of examination and/or visits to the location where animals are managed to initiate at least a general or preliminary diagnosis of the medical condition of the animal(s).
- The practicing veterinarian is readily available for follow-up in case of adverse reactions or failure of the regimen of therapy.