

Current Oklahoma Disease Alerts

A main priority of our Animal Industry Services division is to ensure the health of our Oklahoma livestock herds. This website will include current outbreaks facing our region, in addition to diseases that are common around certain times of the year. For the latest information visit the ODAFF website [Disease Alerts – ODAFF \(ok.gov\)](#)

Biosecurity

Farm biosecurity is important to keep your animals healthy and your business productive. Small steps can make a difference and prevent diseases. The Iowa State University Center for food security and public health has many biosecurity resources available. [Farm Biosecurity - CFSPH \(iastate.edu\)](#) Work with your herd veterinarian and use the resources available at the website below to develop a secure pork supply biosecurity plan. There are biosecurity plans for indoor only, outdoor or combined facilities. Training is also available.

<https://www.securepork.org/pork-producers/biosecurity/>

Swine Influenza

As someone who raises pigs, whether for show (e.g., 4-H or Future Farmers of America [FFA]) or as part of a farming operation (i.e., commercial pork producer or swine farmer), you may have questions about flu in both pigs and people. This CDC website addresses what is known about flu viruses in pigs and people and what people in contact with pigs can do to reduce the risk of getting sick or of getting their pigs sick.

[What People Who Raise Pigs Need To Know About Influenza \(Flu\) | CDC](#)

Protect our Pigs

African swine fever is a deadly pig disease that spreads rapidly and affects domestic and wild swine. While not a threat to human health, the virus could devastate America's swine, pork industry, and food supply. Whatever pigs mean to you—your livelihood or a pet—we're all in it together. Protect our swine and keep the disease out of the United States.

[USDA APHIS | Protect Our Pigs | Fight African Swine Fever](#)

U.S. Swine Health Improvement Plan

U.S. SHIP is the ASF-CSF monitored certification aiming to reduce the risk of disease introduction by providing a practical means of demonstrating evidence of freedom of disease (outside of foreign animal disease control areas) in support of ongoing interstate commerce and a path to resuming international trade after a trade-impacting disease response and recovery period.

Specific goals of U.S. SHIP include:

- Improve trade impacting disease (TID) preparedness in three aspects; prevention, response, and recovery among participating producers, slaughter facilities, and states by proactively establishing an industry-informed and working system of operations and certification based on well-defined program requirements for biosecurity, traceability, and disease surveillance.
- Reduce the impact of high-impact endemic illnesses through advancing sanitary standards and practices that prevent disease spread in and across farms on a long-term basis.
- Provide participants in the U.S. pork sector with hands-on experience planning and engaging in a "National Poultry Improvement Plan-style" program tailored to the needs of the U.S. pork industry.

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry (ODAFF) will serve as the U.S. SHIP Official State Agency with program support assistance being provided by the Oklahoma Pork Council. For any questions, please contact Dr. Alicia Gorczyca-Southerland, Assistant State Veterinarian at: Alicia.Gorczyca-Southerland@ag.ok.gov or visit our website [U.S. Swine Health Improvement Plan – ODAFF \(ok.gov\)](#)