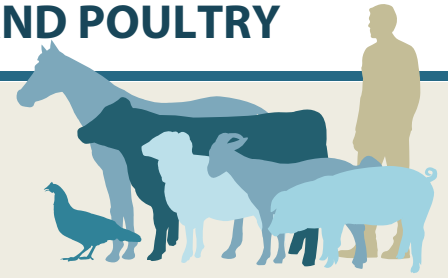


# ZOONOSES PREVENTION AROUND LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

Animals on the farm are important to your family. Some diseases of animals can cause illness in people. Keep yourself, your family, and your livestock or poultry healthy by remembering W.A.S.H.



**WASH**



**AVOID**



**SAFETY**



**HEALTH**

## FOR PEOPLE

### Keep germs out of your eyes, nose, and mouth

#### Wash your hands often with soap and water

- AFTER cleaning manure, bedding or cleaning cages
- AFTER contact with equipment used around animals
- BEFORE contact with infants or young children
- BEFORE eating food

### Avoid disease vectors

- Mosquitoes, ticks, and fleas can transfer diseases from animals to people.
- Avoid vector areas (tall grass, wooded areas) and peak activity times (dusk and dawn)

### Avoid wild animals

- Wild animals can transfer diseases to your animals and to you

### Use personal protection

- Wear gloves when cleaning items in animal areas or if treating sick animals
- Wear a mask if dust is being generated during cleaning (e.g. sweeping)

### Prepare food safely

- Cook meats to the proper temperature
- Wash raw fruits and vegetables before eating

### Wound care

- Clean any wounds from animals promptly
- Don't let animals lick or contaminate any wounds
- Cover wounds before contact with animals

### Stay healthy

- Keep yourself and your family healthy to prevent disease



## FOR LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

### Keep germs out!

- Wear clean clothing and footwear into animal areas
- Remove manure and soiled bedding frequently
- Clean and disinfect equipment/objects used in animal areas

### Avoid disease vectors

- Check for external parasites (e.g., ticks, mites, lice)
- Implement vector control programs on your farm

### Avoid wild animals

- Reduce contact with wildlife

### Protect your animals from disease

- Talk with your veterinarian about vaccines and parasite control for your animals
- Learn about biosecurity measures to take on your farm to prevent disease

### Keep animals healthy

- Monitor your animals daily for signs for disease
- Isolate sick animals from the rest of the herd right away
- Contact your veterinarian when animals are sick

For more information, talk with your veterinarian and visit [www.cfsph.iastate.edu/zoonoses](http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/zoonoses)