



## Media Release

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### **ANAC publishes first listing of commercial feed mills in Canada**

Ottawa, Ontario – The Animal Nutrition Association of Canada (ANAC) has recently published a listing of Canadian commercial feed mills (CFMs) on its website, just ahead of the December 1<sup>st</sup> effective date for a sweeping set of policy changes introduced by Health Canada that will impact how antimicrobial drugs are sold and used in livestock and poultry.

The list can be found at: <https://www.anacan.org/anac/about-our-industry/commercial-feed-mills.html>.

The catalogue will help pharmaceutical companies and producers easily identify which facilities are eligible to purchase drugs designated to be mixed in feed (DIN drug premixes) from drug manufacturers and sell prescription medicated feed to producers. The list compiled by ANAC is the first (and only) publicly-available inventory of CFMs in Canada and was an initiative stemming from the numerous requests for such a list to prepare for the December 1<sup>st</sup> changes. The list includes member and non-member companies of ANAC and the goal is to have a comprehensive registry of all CFMs in Canada. The list will also be useful for producers and other industry stakeholders who wish to find mills that have been inspected by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) for compliance to domestic regulations.

As of December 1<sup>st</sup>, as part of a broader strategy recognizing the need for responsible use of antimicrobials in animal agriculture, all category I, II, and III medically-important antimicrobials for veterinary use will be sold by prescription only, no matter the route of administration. Many of these products have historically been included on Health Canada's over-the-counter drug list and there will be significant changes and restrictions on how they can be accessed, sold, and purchased. As per the *Food and Drugs Regulations*, pharmaceutical companies can only sell prescription drugs to other pharmaceutical companies, pharmacists, veterinarians or wholesale druggists (which includes CFMs). As commercial feed mills can purchase drugs designated to be mixed in feed directly from pharmaceutical companies and can sell prescription medicated feed to producers, they are a key link in the sale and access of these products.

If you are a commercial feed mill and have not received or completed an attestation to be included on this list, please contact Sarah Hopkins at [shopkins@anacan.org](mailto:shopkins@anacan.org).

The Animal Nutrition Association of Canada (ANAC) is the national trade association of the livestock and poultry feed industry, with over 170 members including feed and ingredient manufacturers and distributors as well as suppliers of a wide range of goods and services to the feed industry. Over the last year, ANAC has been working with key government and industry stakeholders to help prepare members for the upcoming antimicrobial policy changes. ANAC has developed a number of fact sheets and maintains an [Antimicrobial Stewardship](#) page on its website which contains additional resources for the feed industry. Learn more about ANAC at [www.anacan.org](http://www.anacan.org).

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