

April 9, 2007

Public Meeting of *Get Smart: Know When Antibiotics Work on the Farm*, May 31, 2007

Dear Colleagues,

Please consider joining us on May 31, 2007 at a public meeting of *Get Smart: Know When Antibiotics Work on the Farm*. The objective of this meeting is to foster partnerships and collaborations by gathering together persons interested in promoting educational efforts aimed at enhancing the appropriate use of antimicrobial agents in food producing animals in the United States. The meeting will highlight current efforts by state health departments, professional organizations, and industry seeking to reduce the misuse and overuse of antimicrobial agents in food animals.

The meeting will be hosted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Coordinating Center for Infectious Disease, National Center for Zoonotic, Vectorborne and Enteric Diseases, Division of Foodborne, Bacterial, and Mycotic Diseases, Enteric Diseases Epidemiology Branch. The meeting of *Get Smart: Know When Antibiotics Work on the Farm* will take place in Building 19 of the CDC Roybal Campus, Atlanta, Georgia beginning at 8:00 am and adjourning at 4:30 pm.

Please visit our website to register online. The deadline for registration is May 15, 2007.

A draft agenda and information with hotel accommodations and transportation can also be found on our website at http://www.cdc.gov/narms/get_smart.htm.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference! Thank you for your support and collaboration.

Sincerely,

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