Title	Describe livestock health and monitor a livestock he	•	trategies, and implement
Level	4	Credits	20

Purpose	This unit standard is intended for people who are working in a livestock farming operation.
	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe management strategies required to achieve optimum livestock health; and implement and monitor a livestock health plan to achieve optimum livestock health.

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Available grade	Achieved
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### **Guidance Information**

- 1 Legislation and regulations relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
  - Animal Welfare Amendment Act 2022;
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
  - relevant codes of welfare.
- 2 References

Welfare codes for all types of livestock are available from <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz">www.mpi.govt.nz</a>.

3 Definition

Workplace procedures refer to verbal or written instructions to staff on procedures for maintaining farm records.

- 4 Assessment notes
  - Learners must implement an existing livestock health plan that they may not have been involved in creating.
  - Assessment against this unit standard must take place in the context of a specific farming operation. Examples of contexts include beef, dairy, deer, goats or sheep.
  - Learners are expected to seek specialist advice as required during the implementation of the livestock health plan.

# Outcomes and performance criteria

### **Outcome 1**

Describe management strategies required to achieve optimum livestock health.

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#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe health problems affecting livestock in relation to a specific farming operation.
- 1.2 Describe diagnosis and treatment of livestock in relation to a specific farming operation.
- 1.3 Describe preventative strategies in terms of maintaining optimum livestock health.
- 1.4 Describe the cost and benefit of implementation of a livestock health plan.
  - Range direct cost and benefit of one animal health intervention.

#### Outcome 2

Implement and monitor a livestock health plan to achieve optimum livestock health.

## Performance criteria

- 2.1 Implement preventative health strategies according to the livestock health plan.
- 2.2 Diagnose and treat livestock health problems according to the livestock health plan.
- 2.3 Record treatments according to workplace procedures.
- 2.4 Monitor and report on livestock health according to livestock health plan targets.

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# Comments on this unit standard

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