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## Animal Health Industry Perspective on AMR in Food- Producing Animals

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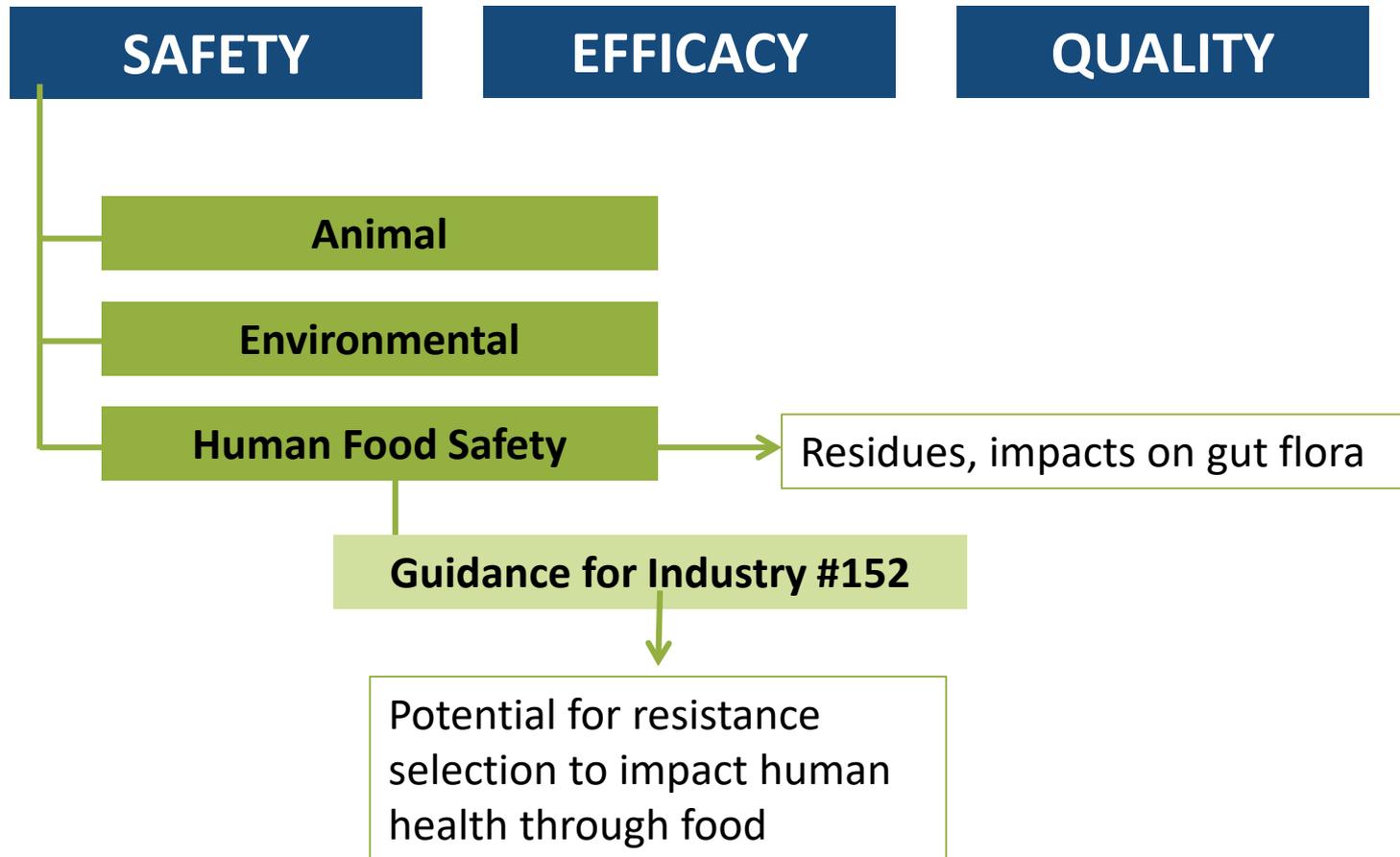
- A trade association representing major manufacturers of animal health products.
- Currently **15 fully licensed members** and **9 Affiliate members**.
- Multinational companies and smaller biologics manufacturers.
- Represents the majority of R&D investment in animal health products in the U.S.

# ANIMAL ANTIBIOTIC APPROVALS

- AHI members have always operated under a One Health paradigm:
  - Animal Health
  - Human (Public) Health
  - Environmental Health
- Food and Drug Law requires these three areas to be addressed for all food animal drugs.



# FDA APPROVAL PROCESS



# EVOLUTION OF AMR REGULATION

1970's

FDA required specific AMR testing on all antibiotics used in feed:

- E.coli resistance
- Salmonella shedding
- Most antibiotics passed the set criteria

1988

All new antibiotics must be labeled as prescription drugs

1996

FD&C Act amended to allow for Veterinary Feed Directives as a form of prescription drugs since no previous legal authority existed for feed additives.

# EVOLUTION OF AMR REGULATION

1996

National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System (NARMS) instituted for food borne pathogens in humans, animals and later retail meats.

2003

Guidance for Industry #152 – qualitative assessment required to assess potential selection of resistance in food animals and human health.

2008

FD&C Act amended to require sponsors to report antimicrobial sales data.

- 2016 – FDA adds requirement to estimate sales by species.

2012

FDA Guidance for Industry #209 - Judicious Use Recommendations on growth promotion claims for medically important antimicrobials for feed and water.

- All Animal Health Companies committed to implementing the FDA recommendations.
- FDA reports full implementation on January 2017.

- Stated objectives were to improve judicious use of medically important antibiotics:
  - Eliminate growth promotion
  - Require veterinary supervision
- Objective was not to necessarily cause overall reductions in sales although reductions could result with certain antimicrobial classes.
- Guidance was also not based on specific safety concerns with each antimicrobial class.

- FDA maintained these indications for medically important antimicrobials because of animal health and welfare concerns.
- Herd/Flock health is population medicine as opposed to individual treatment.
- Preventing disease is critical in food animals since hundreds to thousands of animals are at risk if there is a disease outbreak:
  - Vaccines
  - Antimicrobials

- Disturbing trend toward promotion of antibiotic free labeling.
- Animals needing treatment diverted to conventional production lines where antibiotics can be used; if not animals would suffer and die.
- No evidence that antibiotic free labeling means safer food.
- [TogetherABX.com](http://TogetherABX.com) seeks to educate consumers on the use and risks of antibiotic use in animals.



- Antimicrobials are critical to animal, human and public health.
- Reduced use of antimicrobials not necessarily correlated with decrease in resistance.
  - NARMS shows 85% of all human Salmonella susceptible to all tested antimicrobials
  - Recent Scottish publication concludes:

*“...curtailing the volume of antibiotics consumed by food animals has, as a stand alone measure, little impact on the level of resistance in humans.”*

- New restrictions on antimicrobials must be based on scientific data not perceptions or market pressures.
- Animal health needs new vaccines, antimicrobials or alternatives – PACCARB WG on incentives.
- Sales data is not a substitute for actual use data to improve judicious use – AHI supports funding of the USDA/FDA CARB plan to collect on farm data.