#### **More Law**

**Prescriptions etc** 

# prescriptions

- instructions to pharmacist
- form for veterinary drugs
  - Registered Veterinarians Writing Prescriptions For Prescription Medicines and Prescription Animal Remedies CoP
- stick to Medicines Regs

# prescriptions

- · write one when
  - -you do not keep the drug in the clinic
  - a farmer wants to buy the drug more cheaply from somewhere else



# **Feed prescriptions**

- · use preprinted form
- · withholding times
- · keep a copy

### labels

- · all drugs must be labelled
- manufacturer's vs vet's label?
  - -ACVM Regs 2001
- · label on container with drug
  - -not outer box

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24/1/01
for Mr. Smith's weaner pigs
123, Bunnythorpe Bypass,
RD8, Palmerston North
Zaquilan 20% injection 100ml
give 2ml intramuscularly and repeat in 2 days
withholding period 28 days
For animal treatment only
Keep out of the reach of children

### packaging

- child proof packaging strongly recommended
  - -blister packs count
  - -not paper envelopes
- · syringes & needles separate
- · labels











# storage

- keep drugs and food separate
- · remember OSH
- · look at label for storage temp
  - -vaccines
  - -antibiotics
  - -(adrenaline)

#### records

- · controlled drug register
- · animal records
- prescription drugs?
- at least write drugs on invoice and keep a copy

### discretionary use

- · only for animals under your care
- follow NZVA guidelines
- · tell owner
- · withholding times

### "animal under your care"

- · given responsibility for it
- · sufficiently familiar with it
  - -examination
  - -seen it in last 6 months
- must be in a position to provide ongoing care

#### **NZVA CoP**

- · sufficient info
  - avoid pain & suffering
- · keep in contact with owner
- · residues
  - withholding times
  - default 91 days
- full written advice
  - keep records for 2 years
- · adverse drug reactions

#### off label use overseas

- · USA
  - -some drugs banned in food animals
- Europe
  - -MRL must be set before drug can be used in food animals

# What would you do?

- 4 yr old Westie "Fred"
- · chronic Staph intermedius infection
- · C&S only sensitive to oxacillin

#### other info

- owner
  - Mr. Bob Smith, 123 Bunnythorpe Bypass, RD8, Palmerston North
- · dog's weight
  - 15kg
- dose
  - 10mg/kg
- drugs available??

### compounding

- · only for animals under your care
- mass production not allowed
- withholding times
- · shelf life
- chemical incompatibility
- get a chemist to do it
  - Optimus

# disposal

- · give to a clinical waste company
- · landfill
- incineration
- · (tip down sink)

#### **Adverse reactions**

- anaphylaxis
- · wrong dose
- · known side effect
- expired product
- interactions
- · idiosyncratic reactions
- · no effect
- · effects on people?

#### **Adverse reactions**

- fill in ACVM form
  - http://www.nzfsa.govt.nz/acvm/map/ index.htm
- · tell drug company

#### **ADR** info

- · your name & contact details
- name, licence no., batch no., expiry date
- · owner's name & contact details
- · dose & route
- date
- nature of reaction
- · animal details
- · other products given

### The future???

 http://www.nzfsa.govt.nz/acvm/ index.htm