

Agriculture and **Rural Development**



TO ALL ALBERTA PORK PRODUCERS AND HOG TRANSPORTERS

Let's work together to keep PEDv out of Alberta

What is PEDv?

- Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea (PED) is a viral **disease causing severe vomiting and diarrhea in pigs** (like TGE (Transmissible Gastroenteritis) but it is more severe).
- Up to <u>100% mortality in nursing pigs from 3-5 weeks.</u>
- In the finisher barn, PED is milder and lasts a shorter time and can easily be missed.

Understand the importance of reporting any cases of Diarrhea

PEDv is being made <u>reportable</u> in Alberta under provincial legislation (our Animal Health Act), along with TGE. You and/or your vet must report all suspected and positive cases to:

<u>Chief Provincial Veterinarian:</u> During business hours: 780-427-3448 After business hours: 1-800-524-0051

What will happen if you report PEDv?

- Help is available for those farms that become infected with PEDv.
- Alberta has a plan to keep markets open for pigs from PEDv infected barns and to reduce the risk to other producers.

Don't be the one to miss the first case of PEDv in Alberta!

Cases of diarrhea in all pigs

What should you do?

- Call your vet to check out ALL cases of diarrhea right away.
- Test samples at a lab.

How can we prevent it?

- **BIOSECURITY!!!**
- Make sure all incoming animals are healthy
- All trucks and trailers MUST be thoroughly **washed**, **dried and disinfected** before they go back on-farm, especially those that have been in the USA.





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