

AHSQ FOREWORD GUIDELINES

SUMMARY

Animal Health Surveillance Quarterly (AHSQ) has a strong focus on supporting market access and showcasing the animal health system of Australia. Containing current, general summaries of Australia's surveillance activities over the quarter (see Table 1 for current production schedule), it comprises several elements, one being the foreword.

In previous years, the foreword was only written by the Australian Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO), however moving forward it will be written by the state and territory CVO's and the ACVO on a rotational basis (see Table 2 for schedule).

Animal Health Australia has developed this guideline to help you inform your report.

Foreword guidelines

- Ensure you introduce the quarter e.g. Welcome to *Animal Health Surveillance Quarterly* Issue X for 20XX.
- Keep it to one-page max – 300-400 words.
- Reference the topics of the feature article/s.
- High-res (3mb file or larger) headshot to accompany article.
 - To ensure we keep to deadlines, if this is not provided, we will proceed ahead.

TABLE 1: AHSQ ISSUE DEADLINES

Issue	Text due (3 rd Thursday from end of quarter)	NAHIP data due (5 th Friday from end of quarter)
Q1 2025 Jan-Mar	17 Apr 2025	2 May 2025
Q2 2025 Apr-Jun	17 Jul 2025	1 Aug 2025
Q3 2025 Jul-Sep	16 Oct 2025	31 Oct 2025
Q4 2025 Oct-Dec	15 Jan 2026	30 Jan 2026
Q1 2026 Jan-Mar	16 Apr 2026	1 May 2026
Q2 2026 Apr-Jun	16 Jul 2026	31 Jul 2026
Q3 2026 Jul-Sep	15 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026
Q4 2026 Oct-Dec	14 Jan 2027	29 Jan 2027

TABLE 2: CVO FOREWORD TEXT DEADLINES

Issue	CVO	Text due
Q1 2025 Jan-Mar	Australian Chief Veterinary Officer	2 May 2025
Q2 2025 Apr-Jun	Western Australia	1 Aug 2025
Q3 2025 Jul-Sep	New South Wales	31 Oct 2025
Q4 2025 Oct-Dec	Northern Territory	30 Jan 2026
Q1 2026 Jan-Mar	Queensland	1 May 2026
Q2 2026 Apr-Jun	South Australia	31 Jul 2026
Q3 2026 Jul-Sep	Tasmania	30 Oct 2026
Q4 2026 Oct-Dec	Victoria	29 Jan 2027