

FOR INFORMATION

NAHIP Advisory Committee Annual Meeting 2021

Agenda Item 3.1

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Northern Territory NAHIP Coordinator Report 2020/21

RECOMMENDATION

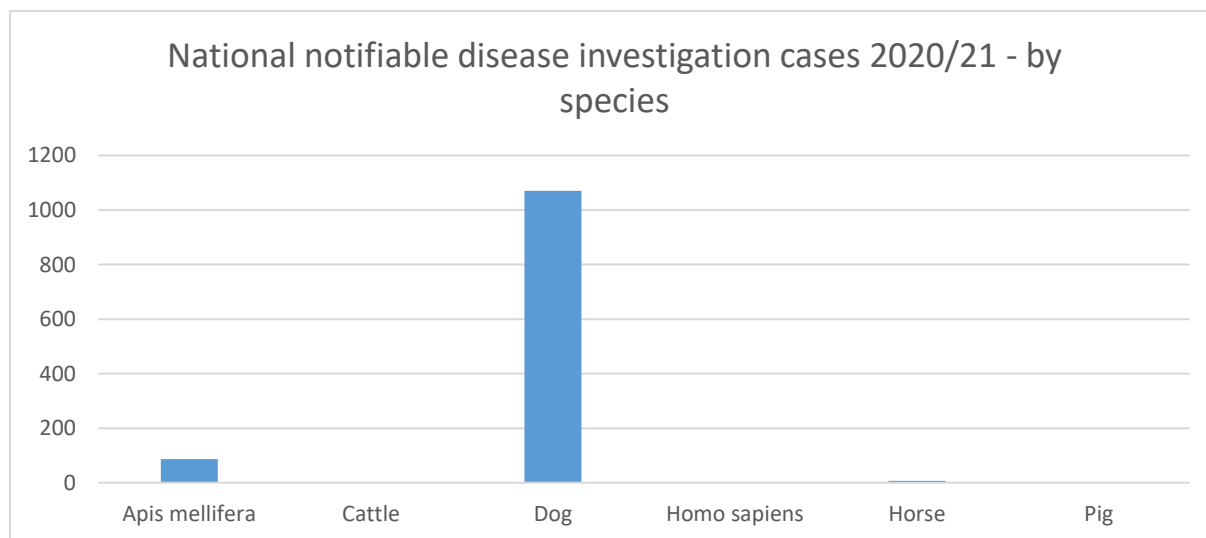
1. That the NAHIP Advisory Committee NOTE the report on NAHIP activities undertaken by the Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (DITT) during the financial year 2020/21.

BACKGROUND

2. This report describes the activities undertaken by the NT DITT during the financial year 2020/21.

DISCUSSION

3. There were 1170 NT cases submitted under the NNDI project. This is an almost tenfold increase in cases from the previous year, due to the outbreak of ehrlichiosis in dogs in the NT in mid-2020.



4. While there were advancements in the internal systems used to record NAHIP data during 2020/21 with the introduction of a MAX based database, it is noted that reporting from the laboratory information management system remains challenging, with a high volume of manual data entry and management required.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. Nil.

CONSULTATION/COMMUNICATION

6. Improvement in communicating relevant notifiable disease exclusion data for key stakeholders (including private veterinarians and livestock producers) is planned.

NEXT STEPS/ACTIONS

7. No action required.

FEEDBACK

8. *[Please respond to the questions below in assessing the performance of the NAHIP over the 2020–21 year, and use this as an opportunity to offer feedback and suggested changes for continual improvement.]*

Q1 My organisation's needs and expectations of the NAHIP are being met.				
Strongly agree	Agree	Undecided	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Please explain your answer, including any suggested changes:				

Q2 My organisation is satisfied that the outputs of NAHIP, such as the Animal Health in Australia report are Animal Health Surveillance Quarterly, are credible and robust.				
Strongly agree	Agree	Undecided	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Please explain your answer, including any suggested changes:				
Suggest the purpose/intent/readership of the AHSQ should be regularly reviewed to ensure it is current and fit for purpose.				

Q3 The format and protocols in place for uploading and transferring national surveillance data are fit for purpose.				
Strongly agree	Agree	Undecided	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Please explain your answer, including any suggested changes:				
Adequate protocols, however more frequent uploading would support timely publication of the AHSQ and satisfy increasing stakeholder needs for more 'real time' data.				

Q4 NAHIP satisfies national surveillance data and reporting requirements. (Please outline any requirements not being met).				
Strongly agree	Agree	Undecided	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Please explain your answer, including any suggested changes:				
Not always clear what the national surveillance data and reporting requirements are, so this is difficult to answer.				