

Summary of the main results of internal audit of biosecurity implementation at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Veterinary Academy, LSMU

The audit has been carried out performing visitations, inspecting facilities, discussions with academic and support staff, and observation of everyday procedures in all units of the FVM. The audit has been done 3 – 17 December 2018.

The main suggestions of the audit applicable for the entire Faculty:

- 1) Biosecurity is responsibility of ALL staff and students at FVM. More attention should be paid to staff coming to maintain and repair various equipment or facilities (electrician, plumber and etc).
- 2) Although most of the academic and support staff is following biosecurity requirements, there were few cases when staff was reluctant to meet the requirements. Few cases when labcoat were missing were detected as well as consumption of drinks where it was not allowed.
- 3) Any item (e.g. empty bottle of vaccine, drugs and etc), which is used as example in study process must be marked with tag “Example”.
- 4) In few cases there were no date indicating when a bottle or package was opened, though it was not expired.
- 5) Not all cupboards, drawer or lockers are marked with label or number.
- 6) In a unit existing biosecurity related documentation and SOP of various procedures should be updated regularly and on due time.

The main suggestions of the audit applicable for the particular unit:

Large Animal Clinic

- 1) Monitoring of availability of disposable gloves, overshoes and hand soap should be improved.
- 2) For students and staff dedicated facilities for changing clothes should be renovated and extended.
- 3) Isolation Unit should be renovated in order to ensure more easier disinfection and daily care. Additional place has to be set up to accommodate more patients at the same time. Therefore, the LSMU approved project No. CPO107037/P18-19 for Isolation renovation must start without delay.
- 4) There is a need to improve capacities of laundry service or to make additional contracts with such service providers.
- 5) Urgent cleaning and disinfection of excrements of new coming or discharged animal should be improved.

Small Animal Clinic

- 1) Monitoring of unnecessary items, e.g. several bottles of soap or disinfectant on the same sink or table should be improved in order to have a better working environment.
- 2) Isolation Unit should be renovated/extended in order to ensure accommodation of more properly isolated patients at the same time. Although without a building of the new clinic or large scale reconstruction of the existing one to achieve this is not realistic.
- 3) Urgent cleaning and disinfection of secretions and excretions of animals being outside cages should be improved.

On behalf of Biosecurity Committee

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