The OIE PVS Pathway

Training Seminar on the OIE PVS Tool for East Asia
Seoul, Republic of Korea, 26 – 28 April 2016
History and principles
- Code chapters on the Evaluation of Veterinary Services
- Guidelines for conducting evaluation

- Code section “Quality of Veterinary Services”
- First request for a PVS Gap Analysis mission

1990

- First edition PVS Tool
- First Training of OIE PVS Experts
- First request for a PVS Evaluation mission

2006

2008

2009

2013

- Concept of “OIE PVS Pathway” created
- First edition OIE PVS Tool - Aquatic
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Principles

- The OIE PVS Pathway is a continuous process aiming to sustainably improve the compliance of Veterinary Services with international standards

- **External independent process**
  - Experts trained and certified by the OIE
  - **Based on facts & evidence**, not impressions

- Official request from OIE National Delegate => missions are implemented on a **voluntary basis**

- **Purpose:**
  - Assess **compliance with OIE standards**
  - Identify strengths / weaknesses and **areas for improvements**

- **Not an audit**

- **Report = country property** (confidentiality of results, unless agreed)
State of implementation
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OIE PVS Evaluation Methodology

Section 3
Quality of Veterinary Services
Quality of Aquatic Animal Health Services
PVS Evaluation

- Different to organisational or sectorial international voluntary standards (e.g. ISO 9001, ISO 17020, etc.)

- PVS Evaluation is both global and horizontal
  - holistic assessment of the veterinary domain, including public and private sectors

- PVS Evaluation is more than…
  - an evaluation of the CVO office and related departments
  - an evaluation performed at central/federal level
  - an evaluation of the public sector of the Veterinary Services
  - evaluating veterinarians only
  - evaluating national animal health programmes
PVS Evaluation – Terrestrial
15 April 2016

75%
PVS Evaluation – Terrestrial
15 April 2016

Mission requested  Mission completed  Report Available  Special approach
PVS Evaluation – Aquatic
15 April 2016
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Asia
- Maldives
- Philippines
- Vietnam
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PVS Gap Analysis (PVS Costing Tool)

- To determine and confirm country’s VS priorities
- To determine activities to be carried out to achieve the expected results
- Develop an indicative costing of the human and physical resources required for the effective and efficient implementation of the activities defined
- To support the preparation of national investment programmes
PVS Gap Analysis
15 April 2016

84%

No request  Mission requested
PVS Gap Analysis
15 April 2016
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PVS Legislation Support Programme

- Aims to support Member Countries develop a strong legislative framework in line with Chapter 3.4. Veterinary Legislation

- Consists of **two phases:**
  1. **Veterinary Legislation Identification mission** aimed at obtaining a detailed picture of the current state of veterinary legislation in the country
  2. **Middle term support** to review and modernise national veterinary legislation (ad hoc national taskforce) on the basis of national priorities
Veterinary Legislation Support Programme
15 April 2016
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Other PVS “Treatments”

- **Veterinary Education Twinning Programme**: Fosters quality veterinary education through the exchange of teachers and students.

- **Veterinary Statutory Body Twinning Programme**: Develops the competencies and capacities of VSBs so that they can fulfil their responsibilities under the Veterinary Authority, whilst complying with the international standards of the OIE.

- **PVS Pathway Laboratory Mission**: Identify the resources required for a sustainable, efficient, effective and viable national veterinary laboratory network.

- **Laboratory Twinning Programme**: Builds laboratory expertise for the most important animal diseases and animal health-related topics, providing a more balanced north-south distribution of advanced expertise.
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PVS Evaluation Follow-Up

- Initial country **PVS Evaluation = baseline**

- Regular country PVS Evaluation missions are useful **to assess, monitor and accompany progress made**:
  - change in legislation,
  - Modifications in structure – chain of command
  - Impact of national and international investments
  - Improved compliance with OIE standards, etc.

- **Every [3 to 5] years**

- **Self-evaluation** is also possible
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up

a full PVS Evaluation mission (complete Veterinary domain, all levels) using last edition of PVS Tool available

Comparison between:

1) Initial Level of Advancement

Consider the initial PVS Evaluation mission report

2) Desired Level of Advancement

Weigh against goals established during PVS Gap Analysis

Has anything changed?
What has changed?
What has worked and why?
What needs to be done?
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
15 April 2016

33%
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
15 April 2016

Mission requested
Mission completed
Report Available
Global Overview

- Inadequate national chain of command
- Weakness of private sector organisations
- Inadequate budget
- Aging veterinary population
- Lack of control of veterinary para-professionals
- Sub-optimal technical independence
- Weak emergency response
- Surveillance and laboratory network under-performing
- Weak control of veterinary products
- Unsuitable veterinary legislation
PVS Pathway – Capacity Building

Training Seminar on the OIE PVS Tool
April 2012 – Beijing, P.R. China

OIE PVS Tool Information Session
October 2014 – Adelaide, Australia

Training Seminar on the OIE PVS Tool
November 2014 – Singapore
PVS Pathway – Capacity Building

Training Seminar on the OIE PVS Tool
May 2015 – Bogor, Indonesia

Training Seminar on the OIE PVS Tool and Evaluation
July 2015 – Canberra, Australia
Support to IHR’s implementation
Bridging WHO and OIE tools for the assessment of national capacities
NATIONAL WORKSHOP
Country perspectives on IHR/PVS assessments and roadmap for better intersectoral collaboration among animal and human health sectors

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26-27 March 2014, Bangkok, Thailand

WHO/PAHO-OIE National Bridging Workshop on International Health Regulations (IHR) and OIE PVS Pathway
San José, Costa Rica, 8 to 10 March 2016
Member Countries Experience
Objective:

To identify impact, measure satisfaction, and capture success stories related to the PVS Pathway experience of OIE Member Countries

Sent to 119 countries participating in the PVS Pathway

From 23 February to 21 July, 2015
Response to the questionnaire

Response rate 84%
Member Countries Experience

Outcomes of the PVS Pathway
Scoring System

- Respondents were requested to select outcomes relevant to their experience with the PVS Pathway, for which any progress or improvement was noted.

- For each outcome selected, respondents were requested to note the level or value of the improvement.

- Scale from 1 to 5 → 1 being the minimum improvement and 5 being maximum improvement.
Improvements resulting from PVS Evaluation missions

- Understanding of strengths weaknesses of VS
- Clearer picture of the needs of VS
- Understanding of OIE standards on VS
- New laws/regulations initiated
- Physical infrastructure improvements
- Increase in staff numbers of official VS
- Increased training opportunities
- Communication with interested parties in the private sector
- Expansion of VS activities
- Communication with ministries and government agencies

Scores: 5, 4, 3, 2, 1
Improvements resulting from PVS Gap Analysis missions

- Understanding of strengths weaknesses of VS
- Clearer picture of the needs of VS
- Understanding of OIE standards on VS
- New laws/regulations initiated
- Support in the development of projects funded by donors
- Communication with interested parties in the private sector
- Increased training opportunities
- Establishment of a VSB
- Communication with donors
- Increase in staff numbers of official VS

![Bar chart showing improvements](chart.png)
Overall experience of the Member Countries with the PVS Pathway

98% Good to Excellent

- Not involved
- Unsatisfactory
- Poor
- Good
- Very Good
- Excellent
- No reply to the questionnaire
- No reply to the question

Bar chart showing the distribution of responses:

- Unsatisfactory: 1
- Poor: 1
- Good: 31
- Very good: 41
- Excellent: 17
Member Countries Experience

Success Stories
Success Stories - Overview

![Bar chart with categories: Africa, Americas, AFEO, Europe, Middle East. Legend includes PVS Evaluation, PVS Gap Analysis, VLSP Identification.](chart.png)
PVS Evaluation - Success Stories

Increase in the number of staff of the VS

“The Government approved the recruitment plan to increase the number of new veterinarians to work at district level and rural areas. In 2013-2014, 32 Dairy Herd Health Units (DHHUs) have been established to deliver better animal health services to farmers in rural areas. The Veterinary Authority recruited 255 new veterinarians to work at district level.” (Asia)
Support in the development of a project funded by donor

“An important programme funded by a donor was developed based on the needs identified in the PVS Gap Analysis.”

(Asia)
Veterinary Legislation - Success Stories

New Laws / Regulations initiated

“The first law on animal health and production has been developed.” (Asia)
OIE PVS Pathway – Success Stories
Member Countries Experience

Improving the PVS Pathway
Suggestions on improving the PVS Pathway

- In-country training on the use of PVS tools by VS staff
- Communication with a PVS Pathway contact person appointed by the Delegate to manage and report progress on PVS Pathway’s mission recommendations
- Translation of PVS Pathway mission reports into local languages for more effective dissemination
- Addition of new tools or ‘treatments’ to the PVS toolbox
- Other(s)
How to improve the value of the PVS Pathway

- **Support** in strategic planning
- **Support** in the implementation of outcomes
- **Support** in bridging WHO IHR Monitoring Framework and OIE PVS Pathway outcomes
- **Support** to evolve the PVS Pathway approach to focus on the assessment at lower jurisdictional levels (e.g. at provincial/state level) through self-evaluation
- **Support** in communication with Ministry of Finance and donors
Member Countries Experience

Future requests
PVS Pathway future requests - Intention

Europe
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
PVS Evaluation of the AAHS
Laboratory Twinning

AFEO
PVS Pathway Laboratory
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
Laboratory Twinning

Middle East
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
Laboratory Twinning
PVS Pathway Laboratory

Africa
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
PVS Pathway Laboratory
VLSP Agreement

Americas
PVS Evaluation Follow-Up
PVS Evaluation of the AAHS
PVS Pathway Laboratory
Overall Conclusions
Conclusions

- The OIE is strongly dedicated to this programme
- **Tools are regularly updated** to reflect this commitment and missions are implemented accordingly
- **Synergies with important partners** are significantly increasing the profile of the PVS Pathway
- The OIE invites Countries to progress on this Pathway, especially through **PVS Evaluation Follow-up missions**.
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Thank you for your attention!