

Veterinary Field Units (VFU)

A major component of AVA field activities is the support of VFUs. VFUs are located in districts to provide animal health care services to the nearby villages. VFUs are staffed by veterinarians or paravets, and provided with technical equipment and logistical support including field transport and solar refrigerators for the proper storage of vaccine. Ongoing monitoring of VFU activities and training of VFU staff helps the quality of services being provided.

VFU staffs provide vaccination, deforming, medical and surgical services to the district animal. They are responsible for the reporting contagious disease outbreaks and implementing treatment measures. VFUs work with local farmers to improve education about animal health and production methods, and the importance of using quality vaccines and medicine.

The goal of the privatization process and initial support that VFUs receive is for each VFU to become financially self sustaining. Farmers pay for services which increase the production of their animals. The VFU staff earns an income that reflects the quality of services they provide, and have ability to improve their VFUs with additional products and services.

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Membership

AVA membership is open to all qualified veterinarians, Assistant Veterinarians and Para-Veterinarians in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. Membership may be granted following the submission of a completed application form, vouching and recommendation by 2 AVA members, and payment of the 1st year dues.

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