

PRE-WEANED CALVES

OBJECTIVE: To support the birth of live, healthy calves and to transition cows into lactation.



**CALF CARE &
QUALITY
ASSURANCE**



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Additional Objectives:

Newborn Calves	
Who are the trained family and non-family employees designated for pre-weaned calf care?	
Type of training or continuing education to be completed to work with pre-weaned calves:	
What type of navel disinfectant is utilized immediately after birth?	
What animal health products are administered to newborn calves (vaccinations, vitamins, etc.)?	
How soon after birth is colostrum or colostrum replacer provided?	
How much colostrum or colostrum replacer is provided?	
How is the quality of colostrum or colostrum replacer confirmed?	
How long after birth are calves moved to their designated living area?	
How are calves moved to their designated living area?	
What living environment are calves housed in?	
At what age are pre-weaned calves first provided with fresh water?	
How frequently and at what times are pre-weaned calves provided with fresh water throughout the day?	
How much milk or milk replacers are pre-weaned calves fed?	
At what age are pre-weaned calves first provided with starter feed?	
What quantity and type of starter feed is provided to pre-weaned calves?	
How frequently and at what times are pre-weaned calves provided with starter feed?	
At what point are calves weaned and using what process?	