

Goal 5: Support Agriculture and Food Safety

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- Related Concepts from the School of Veterinary Medicine Strategic Plan:*
- Define the societal and economic impact of programs; commission a study or develop a collaborative project with the School of Management.
 - Engage in external relations to promote School initiatives with government agencies and representatives.
 - Link with campus government relations to identify opportunities for interacting with government leaders.
 - Capitalize on geographic proximity to Sacramento; get legislators and their staff on site.

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Preliminary Tactics:

- a. Strengthen external collaboration in clinical research, patient care and education to serve the needs of agriculture
 - i. Host symposia to identify potential collaboration opportunities.
 - ii. Notify potential collaborators of clinical research projects underway and upcoming. *(Links to Strategy 4.2)*

- b. Promote collaboration with other schools and programs at UC Davis to serve the needs of agriculture and ensure a safe food supply.
 - i. Develop joint projects and shared educational initiatives.
 - ii. Strengthen the VMC’s partnership with:
 - Veterinary Medicine Teaching and Research Center (VMTRC)
 - Western Institute for Food Safety and Security (WIFSS)
 - Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank (FARAD)
 - California Animal Health and Food Safety Laboratory

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- c. Strengthen existing, and develop new relationships with industry partners. Consider the following:
- Industry partners that support dairy, poultry and wool production;
 - Commercial diagnostic laboratory partners;
 - Industry and government bodies that support pharmaceutical production and supply;
 - Horse racing industry partners;
 - Commercial equipment suppliers;
 - Agricultural boards;
 - The Centers for Disease Control and Production;
 - The United States Department of Agriculture;
 - The biomedical engineering industry; and
 - The Food and Drug Administration.