



APVMA Strategy 2023 – our strategic objectives

Trusted regulator

Trust in the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) by the Australian public is critical to maintaining confidence in Australian agricultural and veterinary (agvet) chemicals. To ensure trust we will:

- regulate in an open and accountable way that encourages participation by all stakeholders
- utilise best-practice principles for risk assessment and risk management, underpinned by the best available science
- secure compliance with the Agvet Code through appropriate compliance and enforcement measures.

Respected partner, nationally and internationally

The APVMA operates in a global regulatory environment with many interconnected partners domestically and internationally. As a highly respected regulator the APVMA will continue to:

- strengthen collaboration with overseas regulators to ensure Australia has a strong voice in global discussions about the future of agvet chemical regulation and new risk assessment approaches
- continue to engage with domestic regulatory partners to ensure we take a whole of system approach to agvet chemical regulation in Australia
- use trusted international data, standards and assessments where appropriate.

Contemporary regulatory system

The APVMA seeks to balance domestic regulatory approaches with our active participation in a global regulatory environment. We do this by:

- influencing the domestic and global policy development agenda
- embracing new ways of working through a continual improvement approach.

Superior ‘over the horizon’ capability

The APVMA is committed to keeping up with the rapid pace of change in the sector and supporting this by anticipating and responding to future regulatory needs. We will achieve this by:

- remaining at the cutting edge of scientific and regulatory knowledge
- monitoring emerging industry trends so we can rapidly respond
- encouraging innovation, embracing new technologies and ensuring innovators understand the regulatory process.

Operational excellence

The APVMA plays a critical role in ensuring Australians have access to safe and effective agvet chemicals. We do this by:

- ensuring agvet chemicals are efficiently and effectively regulated and balancing the regulatory effort and burden on those we regulate
- embracing principles of best practice regulation and seeking opportunities to improve the way we regulate
- focusing our efforts on the areas of greatest importance.

Attracting, developing and retaining the best people

Our people are critical to the delivery of an efficient and effective agvet chemical regulatory system. We will:

- embrace innovative ways to attract new people
- invest in professional development of our people and provide opportunities for career progression and growth
- ensure a culture of respect, inclusiveness and accountability to retain our workforce
- strengthen the agility of our organisation to respond to emerging risks and opportunities.

Our vision:

To be a global leader in agriculture and veterinary chemicals regulation for the benefit of Australia.