

VETFLASH!

Dear SAVA member,

Recent communication to our members from SAHPRA confirmed the status of the use of Ivermectin products in humans, being: "Ivermectin is not indicated nor approved by SAHPRA for use in humans. There is no confirmatory data on ivermectin available as yet for its use in the management of COVID-19 infections. In terms of safety and efficacy there is no evidence to support the use of ivermectin and we do not have any clinical trial evidence to justify its use."

However, the sale of Ivermectin products for use in animals is allowed to continue in the interest of animal health and, as such, we have drafted an indemnity form for use in your practice. We request you to consider having this indemnity form completed upon point of sale and filing this form appropriately. Note that the form is protected from editing (apart from practice name and address details). Furthermore, you will find attached two posters that you can print out and put up in your practice to assist in client education.

Please be reminded that, in order to dispense Ivermectin, there needs to be a client-veterinary-animal relationship. In all other instances, the product must be sold in its original packaging, including package inserts.

Be mindful that social media is rife with fake news and you need to accept any changes in regulations only from the relevant regulatory authority – in the case of Ivermectin, it will be the South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA). We will keep you informed of any further developments.

Best regards,
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