

**RESOLUTION #6—2023  
Regular Winter Session**

Submitted by  
Board of Directors

**CONSOLIDATED POLICY ON VETERINARY COMPOUNDING**

**RESOLVED** that the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) House of Delegates adopt the consolidated policy on Veterinary Compounding as noted in [Attachment 1](#), which will supersede the current policies on Veterinary Compounding ([Attachment 2](#)), Compounding from Unapproved (Bulk) Substances in Non-food Animals ([Attachment 3](#)), and Compounding from Unapproved (Bulk) Substances in Food Animals ([Attachment 4](#)).

**Statement about the Resolution**

The Council on Biologic Therapeutic Agents (COBTA) reviewed the policies Compounding from Unapproved (Bulk) Substances in Non-food Animals, Compounding from Unapproved (Bulk) Substances in Food Animals, and Veterinary Compounding. The intent is to:

- Consolidate all AVMA policies pertaining to veterinary compounding and address concerns heard at the July 2021 HOD meeting regarding the phrase “demonstrated effectiveness.” The recommended policy instead refers to “a reasonable expectation of safety, efficacy...”;
- Clarify that compounding should be allowed for sedatives and anesthetics for free-ranging wildlife species and that veterinarians should be informed regarding the starting ingredients of compounded products—and
- Include under the policy’s Additional Resources section, [CVM GFI #256 - Compounding Animal Drugs from Bulk Drug Substances, Food Animal Residue Avoidance Database, FDA Center for Veterinary Medicine \(CVM\) Link to food vs non-food definition and AVMA Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals](#)

**Financial Impact: None**

	<b>Board of Directors</b>	<b>House Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Reference Committee #5</b>	<b>House of Delegates</b>
<b>Recommend Approval</b>	X	X	X (amended as noted below*)	X (amended as noted below*)
<b>Recommend Disapproval</b>				
<b>Recommend Referral to...</b>				
<b>No Recommendation</b>				
<b>Recommend Postpone Indefinitely</b>				

(use this space for additional narrative, if needed)

**\*Consolidated Policy on Veterinary Compounding**

- 1 – Strike “an” and add an “s” to the word “time” for the last bullet point on page 1.
- 2 - Insert “including non-food-producing free-ranging wildlife” in the first sentence on page 2.
- 3 - Strike “circumstances” from the first sentence of the second bullet on page 2.