

Be Prepared for Avian Influenza in Manitoba



Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) is a contagious viral infection that can affect many species of poultry. Taking precautions to control the disease can help ensure your flock's health and welfare and prevent the spread of HPAI.

Questions?

Visit [Manitoba.ca/agriculture](https://www.manitoba.ca/agriculture) or contact Manitoba's Chief Veterinary Office at chiefveterinaryoffice@gov.mb.ca or 204-945-7663.



Tips to protect your flock:

- Keep your flock away from wild birds and other animals.
- Flocks should be kept inside as long as possible, at minimum until spring migration is passed.
- Limit your flock's exposure to visitors.
- Keep your clothing, footwear, equipment and any other materials that come in contact with your flock clean.
- Clean and disinfect feeders and waterers frequently and prevent access from wild birds.
- Clean up feed spills promptly and store manure away from your flock.
- Know your source - purchasing chicks from licenced and inspected hatcheries is highly recommended.
- Poultry flock owners are required to apply for Manitoba's Premises Identification Program for fast notification should HPAI be found nearby.
- Contact a veterinarian immediately if any increase in sudden death or respiratory signs is seen in a flock.
- Manitoba's Small Flock Avian Influenza Program can assist owners, through their veterinarians, with examination and diagnosis of the flock.

For more information, scan the QR code or go to Manitoba.ca/agriculture.

