

# **Monitoring Calf Care: What to do when targets are not met**

## **1. Newborn care and feeding colostrum targets not met:**

- **Review colostrum feeding – timing, quantity, and antibody content. Check for bacteria in colostrum, less than target.**
- **Check to see that tincture of iodine is being used for navel dipping and that all calves are dipped.**

## **2. Colostrum collection and storage targets not met:**

- **Check rinse sample results on colostrum storage equipment.**
- **Review procedures for chilling fresh colostrum that is to be stored to 16°C ASAP. Get into refrigerator/freezer promptly after chilling.**

## **3. Cleaning milk feeding equipment targets not met:**

- **Check compliance with recommended washing procedures.**
- **Check for bacteria in milk replacer, less than target.**

## **4. Calf growth rate targets not met:**

- **Review milk replacer mixing protocol.**
- **Review milk replacer feeding protocol.**
- **Review concentrate feeding protocol.**
- **Review water feeding protocol.**

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- **Review health records of calves gaining less than target average daily liveweight gain.**