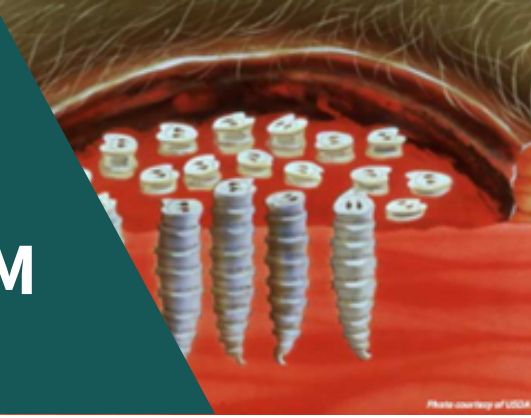




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NEW WORLD SCREWWORM

Treatment Guide



New World Screwworm (NWS) is a fly whose larvae infest living tissue of any warm-blooded animal. Untreated wounds can be fatal.

Rapid treatment of wounds is critical to stop the spread of the fly in infested areas. Animal owners should examine their animals regularly and treat wounds until healed.

STEPS TO TREAT A WOUND

- Clean the wound with warm water and a mild antiseptic
- If infested, remove as many larvae as possible and submit at least 10 for identification. Place all other larvae in a tube or Ziploc bag with rubbing alcohol prior to disposal.
- Spray the wound with fly spray designed for wounds (e.g. ProZap, Durvet Screw Worm Aerosol, or Catron IV). Be sure to follow label directions
- Treat the animal with an injectable or pour-on insecticide

Depending on the severity of the wound, the animal may need wound care, antibiotics, and pain control.

PREVENTION

- Handle animals with care
- Minimize wounds to animals
- Delay procedures that cause wounds (including vaccination) until after fly season
- Treat newborn umbilical cords
- Treat for ticks

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