



# Preventive livestock healthcare: a business opportunity for you and farmers

**A unique training opportunity for private sector veterinary paraprofessionals in Eastern, North Eastern and Central Uganda**



<b>WHEN?</b>	February -April 2025
<b>FORMAT</b>	A mix of 30 hours of online learning studied on your smartphone combined with a three day practical workshop.
<b>COST</b>	Free of charge
<b>CPD</b>	Registered for CPD with the Uganda Veterinary Board

## Prevention is better than cure!

Are you currently running your own small business as a veterinary paraprofessional? Do you work with livestock farmers? Would you like to learn how skills in preventing disease and promoting livestock productivity can benefit both your business and the farmers that you work with? Then this course could be for you!



## What does the course involve?

FAO, in partnership with Bukalasa Agricultural College and the National Animal Genetic Resources Centre and Data Bank, will be launching this new short course in 2025.

**Study at your convenience. Online learning on your smartphone.**

**Learn by doing, field visit to put what we learn into practice and work hand-in-hand with farmers.**

**Learn from experts from across Uganda and beyond.**

## Women VPPs encouraged to apply

The course has been designed to specifically meet the needs of women VPPs.

- Build your confidence and develop your network.
- Overcome gender related challenges.
- Childcare provided for workshops and flexible learning modalities to fit around family commitments.



## What will you learn?

Effectively manage cases through clinical reasoning.

Build better relationships with farmers through communication and extension skills. Work in partnership with farming families.

Boost farm profits through herd and flock health plans.



## Logistics

Access to the online learning and workshop will be supported by provision of:

- allowance to support costs of transport to training location;
- accommodation and meals on site during the workshop;
- suitable protective clothing for fieldwork;
- childcare for young infants during the training workshop;
- an allowance for costs of internet to support access to the online learning components.

Kindly note that smartphones or other business-related equipment are not provided. A daily subsistence allowance (DSA) is not paid during the course.



## To take this course, you should:

- have trained in animal health from a Uganda Veterinary Board recognised training institute;
- be registered as a VPP with the Uganda Veterinary Board or submit your application to register prior to the start of the training;
- be a practicing VPP providing animal health services to livestock farmers;
- run your own animal health business in Central, Eastern or North Eastern Uganda;
- have access to an internet capable smartphone.

## How to apply

There are places for 50 veterinary paraprofessionals on this course. Places will be awarded on a competitive basis according to the quality of an online written application. Shortlisted applicants will then be interviewed by telephone in order to select the final participants. **The closing date for applications is 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

To complete the application form, [please click here](#) or use your phone to scan the code:

