

Animal Comfort & Safety

ANIMAL CARE

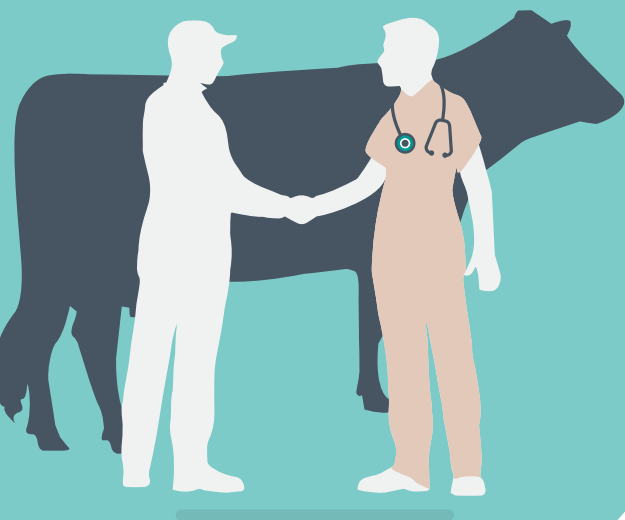
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TOP PRIORITY

and requires appropriate shelter, disease prevention, veterinary care and treatment, and proper management.¹

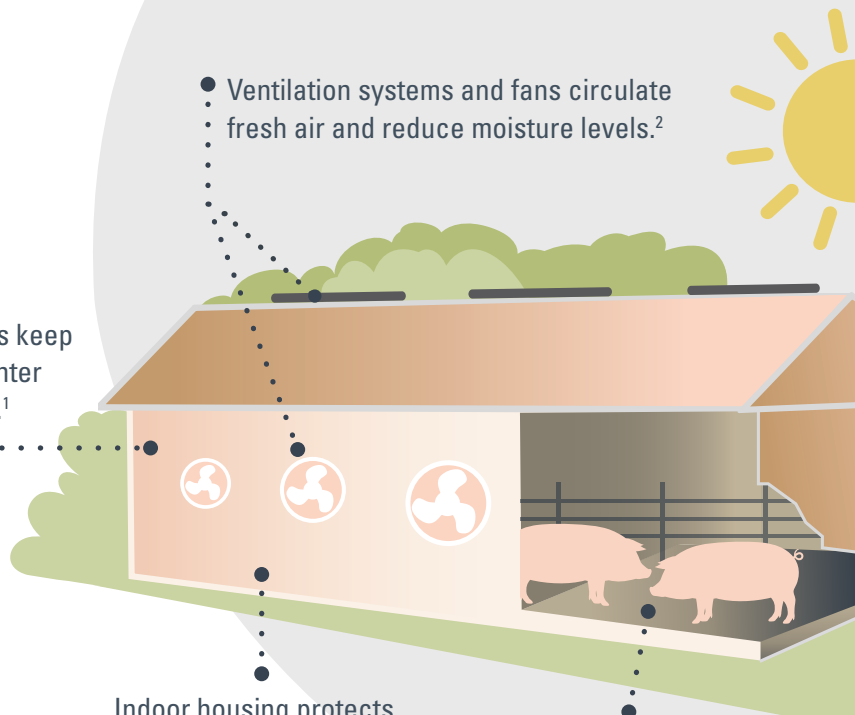
Controlled temperatures keep animals warm in the winter and cool in the summer.¹

Farmers continue to adopt best animal welfare practices, grounded in science, and work with experts to ensure any transitions are what's best for the animal.⁴



Indoor housing allows for better control of the animal's environment.

• Ventilation systems and fans circulate fresh air and reduce moisture levels.²



Indoor housing protects animals from disease and physical harm due to territorial behavior.¹

Animal nutritionists monitor food intake to ensure each animal is getting its fair share and the right nutrients at every stage of life.³

Providing shelter protects animals from predators and makes food readily available – animals don't have to look for food under a blanket of snow.¹



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