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Reporting of Rodenticide Poisonings by Veterinary Surgeons

The item below comes from the Office of the Chief Regulatory Scientist, Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA). If you have any questions or concerns about the item, please contact the APVMA directly on 1800 700 583.

As parts of Australia are experiencing the worst mouse plague in decades, the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) is seeking information regarding suspected poisoning of companion animals with rodenticides.

The APVMA encourages veterinary surgeons to report incidences of primary and secondary poisoning through the Adverse Experience Reporting Program (AERP).

Reports can be submitted through any of the following avenues:

- AERP online reporting form: <https://portal.apvma.gov.au/aerp>
- Email: AERP@apvma.gov.au
- Phone: 1800 700 583

Information that is particularly of relevance includes:

- Location (postcode)
- The number of animals affected
- Type of exposure (primary vs secondary poisoning)
- Details of the chemicals suspected/confirmed to be involved
- Outcomes in affected animals

The provision of this information assists the APVMA in assessing the risks associated with rodenticides and facilitates the continued monitoring of the safety, efficacy and suitability of label directions for end-users.

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