What is it?

The portal was created so that veterinarians and their staff could report adverse reactions to pesticides observed in animals. Its purpose is to collect detailed medical information for use by pesticide regulators at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Incident reports can be used to determine whether any product(s) might pose unacceptable risks to pets, and what steps might be needed to reduce those risks.

The National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) developed the portal. The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for regulating pesticides. They provided input in the development of the portal, as did the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Biologic and Therapeutic Agents and the AVMA Clinical Practitioners Advisory Committee.

Who can use the portal?

The portal is designed for veterinarians and other veterinary professionals. It is not for use by the general public. Some of the portal’s fields require detailed medical information about the animal, signs of poisoning, and outcomes that require veterinary expertise. The portal was designed to collect the kind of information that is most helpful to regulators. You can access the portal at http://npic.orst.edu/vet.

How long does it take to submit incident reports?

The portal has been designed to be efficient and easy to use. A report can be submitted in five minutes or less. Veterinary technicians with direct knowledge of the case may also submit reports. When you take the time to report these incidents, you are helping to make products in the marketplace safer for pets.

Call the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) at 1-800-858-7378. If you would rather submit the report verbally, one of our specialists can file the report for you.