**Dairy Sick Calf Protocol**

**Observe Calf**
- **Calf Eating, Bright and Alert**
  - No further observations

- **Calf Eating, Listless**
  - Take Temp
    - **Temp < 103**
      - Observe at next feeding
    - **Temp > 103**
      - Treat with: **NSAID**
        - Give 1 probiotic pill
        - Assess dehydration. If dehydrated, add feeding of electrolytes
      - Reassess at next feeding

- **Calf not Eating**
  - Take Temp
    - **Temp < 103**
      - Treat with: **NSAID**
        - Give 1 probiotic pill
        - Assess dehydration. If dehydrated, add feeding of electrolytes
      - Reassess at next feeding
    - **Temp > 103**
      - Treat with: **NSAID** (repeat for 2 days)
        - **ANTIBIOTIC** (repeat for 2 days)
        - Assess dehydration. If dehydrated, add feeding of electrolytes and Probiotic pill
      - Reassess treatment at 48 hours

DISCLAIMER: This page was developed as a generic protocol; complete protocols should be developed with the assistance of your local veterinarian.
Glossary of Terms

At the first treatment of any animal, the information must be entered on the recording sheet. Once the sheet is full, it needs to be turned over to Example Dairy Farms. In regards to results, the possible outcomes would include: (1) ok, (2) dead, (3) chronic problem, etc.

Electrolytes: These should be given in addition to the milk replacer. One of two ways works best: (1) add a feeding of electrolytes at noon or (2) wait at least 15 minutes after milk feeding before giving electrolytes.