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Update from Northern Ireland on Equine Welfare Priorities

1. Access to Veterinary Medicines

- DEFRA Paper "Protecting Animal Health: The Government's Approach to Veterinary Medicines in Northern Ireland"
- Veterinary Medicines Health Situation Scheme and the Veterinary Medicines Internal Market Scheme

2. Equine Traceability

3. Farrier Education and Regulation

- Queens University Research Project
- Meetings between FRC & Minister Baroness Hayman (DEFRA)

4. Equine Welfare Symposium 8th October 2025