## How does it work?

The framework focuses on mentoring and constructive feedback, rather than assessment, to address any knowledge or skill gaps.

Mentoring takes place in the field where the animal health practitioners are seeing cases in their day-to-day practice. Animal health providers are encouraged to be:



clinical practitioner



good clinical governance

The Framework focuses on building practical skills and encouraging reflection, constructive feedback and positive practices.

## **About Brooke**

Brooke, Action for Working Horses and Donkeys is a U.K. based, global animal health and welfare charity that gives working horses, donkeys and mules a life worth living.

Over 100 million of these animals pull carts, carry goods and work the land, earning an income that around 600 million people rely on to put food on their tables, earn a living and send their children to school. Sadly, many of them are suffering, so Brooke works with owners, communities, service providers, governments and international organisations to make long lasting welfare improvements.

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Vets and animal health providers play a vital role in supporting animals, owners and communities around the world. Unfortunately, many of them receive varying levels of training, which can lead to poor handling, incorrect diagnosis and spread of disease.

## What is the Animal Health Mentoring Framework?

The Animal Health Mentoring Framework is a long-term training method developed by Brooke which aims to equip animal health workers with the essential skills and capabilities required to provide compassionate and competent care. The framework can be applied in any geographical context, to equids and other livestock species.

Unique to Brooke, this mentoring technique has enabled the organisation to improve animal health and welfare in communities far beyond its own reach by strengthening existing systems and equipping workers with the skills they need. "All animals deserve high-quality healthcare wherever they are – the Framework takes us one step closer to making that a reality." Dr Laura Skippen, Head of the International Centre of Excellence for Animal Health, Brooke



**Mohammad Rizvan** is an Indian animal health practitioner who was trained by Brooke, using the Animal Health Mentoring Framework.

"Now I have had training from Brooke I can identify cases of colic, tetanus, surra and glanders. I can take the temperature of an equine if it has a fever, I can tell the age using the horse's teeth, and am able to check the third eyelid for signs of disease. I never knew these things before.

I am very thankful to Brooke for all their help and all the training from the vets. I want to continue my work and continue to help improve the lives of equines in this area.''



Over **4**,000 vets and animal health providers trained across **11** countries so far.

