CLOSTRIDIAL BACTERIA
(Clostridium chauvoei, C. septicum, C. novyi, C. sordelli, and C. perfringens Type B, C, & D)
(C. hemolyticum and C. tetani* are considered risk-based vaccines)

Vaccines should always be given according to label instructions.

Core Vaccination Guidelines

MINIMUM ANNUAL PROTOCOL

Previously Vaccinated:

Cows/Bulls: Vaccinate at either prebreeding, pregnancy check, or precaling

No or Unknown Vaccine History:

Cows/Bulls: Booster series of 2 vaccine doses, at least 3 weeks apart

Heifers/Cows properly vaccinated annually against C. tetani*:

Vaccinate at 2 or more of the following times:
• spring processing (i.e. branding)
• 3-6 weeks before weaning
• weaning

Heifers/Cows have unknown or incomplete C. tetani* vaccination history:

Concerns about Tetanus*:
See Vaccination Decision Tree for C. tetani

PRE-WEANED/ NURSING CALVES

STOCKERS/ BACKGROUNDERS

REPLACEMENT HEIFERS

Previously Vaccinated:

Vaccinate at either prebreeding, pregnancy check, or precaling

No or Unknown Vaccine History:

Booster series of 2 vaccines, 3 weeks apart

This document provides general guidelines for vaccine use in cow-calf herds.
Specific recommendations for your operation should be discussed with your veterinarian.