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Empowering Women in STEM: Celebrating International Day of Women and Girls in Science

Animal Medicines Australia (AMA) the peak industry body representing the animal medicine sector, is proud to celebrate International Day of Women and Girls in Science on February 11. This day recognises the critical role women play in advancing scientific knowledge and innovation, particularly in the fields of animal health and welfare.

As an industry leader in animal health, AMA acknowledges the significant contributions women make to the development of new medicines, treatments, and technologies that improve the lives of animals. From veterinarians and scientists to researchers and policymakers, women are driving progress and excellence in our field.

"Women play a vital role in shaping the future of animal health, and it's essential we support them in pursuing careers in STEM," said Ben Stapley, Executive Director of Animal Medicines Australia. "By celebrating International Day of Women and Girls in Science, we hope to inspire a new generation of women to join our industry and make a difference to the lives of animals.

"AMA are fortunate to work with some incredibly talented women who are making a positive impact in the animal health sector, including Dr Charmian Bennett, AMA's Director of Science and Policy and Dr Katie Asplin, Director of Animal Health Policy and Engagement." said Mr Stapley.

As an industry, by celebrating International Day of Women and Girls in Science, we reaffirm our dedication to supporting women and girls in science and fostering a culture of innovation and excellence in Australia's animal health sector.

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<u>Animal Medicines Australia</u> is the peak body that represents the leaders of the animal health industry in Australia. Our member companies are responsible for a range of veterinary medicine products that prevent, control and cure disease across the companion animal and livestock sectors.