

## **Glossary**

**Biosecurity:** a combination of management practices designed to prevent the introduction and transmission of diseases and disease-causing agents into a herd.

**Commingle:** to combine or bring together unrelated pigs into direct contact with each other in one location (by pen, arena or barn)

**Disinfection:** the use of a chemical product on equipment/surfaces that can inactivate or kill disease-causing pathogens

**Pathogen:** an organism that can cause a disease; can be bacteria, a virus or a parasite

**Transmission:** the spread of a pathogen from one animal to another

**Zoonotic:** a pathogen that can transmit from animal to human and cause a disease.